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TREASURY ACCOUNTANT'S DENIAL

YEO TRIAL EVENTS

Witness Says He Did Not Sign The Cheques

MR. JENKIN STARTS CROSS-EXAMINATION

Examination-in-chief of Mr. Thomas Black, accountant at the Treasury, occupied most of the morning on the second day of the trial of Carvalho Yeo at the November Criminal Session.

Mr. Black showed occasional signs of nervousness. Several times Mr. Sheldon (who conducted the examination for the Crown) told Mr. Black to speak up so that the jury could hear. The Judge had to remind Mr. Black once that he must keep his voice up.

When Mr. Sheldon asked Mr. Black: "Did you sign any of these three cheques?" (meaning those that formed the subject matter of the indictment of forgery and uttering), Mr. Black replied slowly and with studied emphasis:—

"I did not—these signatures are not mine."

Another important point brought out was that three genuine Government cheques had been honoured by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, these three bearing the same numbers as those which are alleged to have been forged.

For 20 minutes before the lunch adjournment, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E. (instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ) cross-examined Mr. Black, his rising to do so causing a buzz of subdued excitement.

TO-DAY'S EVIDENCE

Slightly less interest was evinced to-day as compared with yesterday but the side benches and the two entrances to the First Court were full.

Shortly after half past ten, the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Jacks) took his seat.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., having concluded overnight the opening address for the prosecution, Mr. H. G. Sheldon called evidence for the Crown. Mr. Potter and Mr. Sheldon are instructed by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C. (Treasury solicitor).

Mr. D. J. Lewis, of the firm of solicitors to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, was also present at counsel's table.

Accused Disinterested

Between counsel's table and the witness box, a special table had been provided for a shorthand writer acting for the Treasury.

The special jury comprises Mr. A. H. Ferguson (foreman), Mr. John Arnold, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. J. M. da Rocha, Mr. W. G. Goggin, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E. and Mr. J. P. Braga.

As was the case yesterday, accused was permitted to sit in the dock. He was dressed in the same flannel jacket as on the first day and only once, when Mr. Sheldon took a batch of papers from counsel's table to hand to Mr. Black, did he crane forward to have a look.

The rest of the time, his eyes either turned upwards to the roof or were half closed, showing no outward sign of interest whatsoever in the trial.

Mr. Sheldon asked leave to call as the first witness Mr. C. G. Perdue, Assistant Superintendent of Police, whose name was twelfth (last) on the list of witnesses. Mr. Perdue, Mr. Sheldon explained, is to go on leave and he, counsel, therefore submitted that Mr. Perdue be released from attendance.

Identification

Mr. Jenkin replied that he had no objection to whatever order the Crown chose to call its witnesses.

With his right hand in bandages, Mr. Perdue gave formal evidence of the identification parade held at Central Police Station on Sept. 22.

Accused was placed in a row of ten (that is, with nine others), all dressed alike in European clothes and of similar build. Accused stood fourth from the right in the row and was informed that he could change his position before each witness was called.

Nine witnesses attended. Seven identified accused. One did not point anybody out and another, a Mr. da Silva, picked somebody who was not accused.

"I Did Not Sign"

Mr. Black went into great detail in regard to the procedure and precautions governing the making out of vouchers, the posting-up of cheques in the Treasury and the mode of payment to contractors and other payees of the Government.

Mr. Black said that since Feb. 17, 1926, he had been accountant at the Treasury. He is in charge of the "expenditure side." Since March 29, 1926, all Government cheques on the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation were signed by him and by Mr. Messer.

When Mr. Sheldon asked Mr. Black if he signed the three cheques, made out as follow:—

1928	Payable to	Amount
Jan. 3	Katz & Co. ...	$ 86,965.33
Jan. 4	Min Tak & Co.	78,300.41
Jan. 5	Man Lee & Co.	92,142.19
		$257,407.93

Mr. Black replied slowly:—

"I did not" and, after a momentary pause, added very deliberately:—

"These signatures are not mine."

Cheques With Same Numbers

The Government had never, so far as he knew, said Mr. Black, been indebted to the payees mentioned in those three cheques.

On the afternoon of Jan. 18, 1928, he saw the cheques for the first time, in the office of the Hong Kong Bank.

The letter "A" over the Treasury serial number on these three cheques was not in order; it did not appear on genuine Government cheques.

Witness produced counterfoils of two books which each contained 600 cheques when issued to the Treasury and from each of which 30 cheques were missed.

The three cheques in question were withdrawn from the second of the two books. But no genuine cheque has been drawn from the 60 missing cheques.

Mr. Black produced three cheques drawn by the Government on the Hong Kong Bank during December, 1927, on local firms. These cheques bore certain numbers. The cheques, said Mr. Black, are genuine. The numbers on these are the same as the numbers on the three cheques forming the subject of the trial.

The Government used from 9,000 to 10,000 cheques a year. Every cheque on the Treasury general account had to go to Mr. Black, he stated. A reserve cheque book is kept in the safe in the general office. The cheque book in current use is kept during office hours on a clerk's desk and locked up after office hours in the same safe, the keys to which were kept by the chief revenue clerk and Tsang On-wing (cash book clerk).

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BANK HOLD-UPS IN NANKING

TWO VICTIMS

CHINESE CONCERNS ROBBED OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS

SAFE GETAWAYS

Nanking, Yesterday.

Two Chinese banks have been the victims of daylight hold-ups lately. This morning a gang of robbers drove up to the Shanghai Commercial Savings Bank, some holding up the staff while the rest rifled the tills, taking $10,000. They drove off before an alarm was raised.

On Sunday last the Kengyuen Bank was similarly held up and several thousand dollars taken, the robbers safely getting away. There were no arrests.—Reuter.

PEAK WEDDING

MISS KATHARINE HUNTER AND DR. DURRAN

BRIDE FROM HOME

Dr. John Durran, a well-liked local practitioner, and Miss Katharine Hunter, who has just arrived from Home, were the contracting parties at a wedding held to-day in the Peak Church at which the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, B.A. (minister of Union Church, Kowloon) officiated.

Dr. Durran is the eldest son of the late Dr. J. G. Durran, Leighton Buzzard, Beds., and Mrs. Durran, No. 131, Warrender Park-road, Edinburgh. His bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hunter of Arngask Perthshire, and No. 70, Great King-street, Edinburgh.

Mr. C. I. Cookes gave the bride away and Mrs. Cookes was matron of honour. Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones was best man and Miss Anne Cookes the bridesmaid.

The bride wore a picture dress of oyster brocaded satin, with diamante buttons on the corsage, and a cluster of orange blossom and white heather, also a long tulle veil surmounted by orange blossoms. Her bouquet was of cream chrysanthemums.

The bridesmaid wore a Kate Greenaway dress of turquoise charmeuse, a tight fitting cap of cream lace and a gold wrist watch, the gift of the bridegroom. She carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The service was choral, Lohengrin and Mendelssohn Wedding Marches being played and O, Perfect Love sung.

The bride's going away costume consisted of a jumper suit of beige crepe de chine with a coatee of beige and gold thread, a powder blue felt hat, martin stole, biege handbag with embroidery in pastel shades and an antique carnelian necklace.

ILLICIT OPIUM

CHINESE WIDOW FINED $200

SEQUEL TO RAID

Fines totalling $200 were imposed by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, on a Chinese woman for unlawful possession of raw and prepared opium. Defendant, a widow, pleaded guilty.

A Chinese, described as a stallholder, who was charged for similar offences was discharged as although found on the premises at the time of the raid, there was no evidence against him.

Revenue Officer A. Grimmitt, said that the opium was found in cubicles on the third floor of No. 108 Canton-road.

Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, senior, who appeared for both defendants asked His Worship to impose the minimum fine as the quantity of opium discovered (about 35 taels) was not excessive.

FACTORY EXPLOSION

12 PERSONS KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED

AT VINCENNES

Paris, Yesterday.

Twelve persons were killed and several injured in an explosion at a cartridge factory at Vincennes.—Reuter.

Less Than Feared

Later

As most of the workmen had gone home, the death roll in the Vincennes explosion was less than feared, 4 being killed and 4 injured.—Reuter.

MEN WHO MAY PLAY FOR ENGLAND

LOCAL FORECAST

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT'S SHOT AT TEAM PICKING

CRITICISMS WELCOMED

The first victory of the M.C.C.'s team under A. P. F. Chapman during the present tour in Australia was won yesterday, by eight wickets, over "an Australian XI."

Larwood, Tate, J. C. White and Geary all took wickets at comparatively little cost. Hobbs, Mead, Tyldesley and Tate were prominent with the bat.—Hobbs particularly.

From this it will be seen that the bowlers from whom much is expected are still doing well, and that Geary is fit again.

In this connection, a cricket correspondent who has made many shrewd forecasts—even at this distance—of English Test teams, sends the "China Mail" the following:—

The First Test begins on Nov. 30. What do you think of this team, in order of batting:—

Hobbs,
Sutcliffe,
Tyldesley,
Hammond,
D. R. Jardine,
A. P. F. Chapman,
Ames,
Tate,
J. C. White,
Larwood,
Freeman (or Geary).

Larwood and Tate are the fast bowlers, Hammond medium-pace, White slow left-hand, Freeman slow right-hand; Ames the wicket-keeper.

Leyland might be included at the expense of Jardine; but only to strengthen the batting at the expense of the bowling, which latter the Australians haven't got—and the batting is strong enough as it is.

Mead is a little too old for Test cricket in Australia; Hendren has not done much in Tests down there; and I am afraid Freeman (who came off in the first match of the tour) may be excluded for Geary. Staples is hardly worth his place in the side yet.

The correspondent adds that he welcomes criticisms from other readers.

Our Win

Reuter's cable of the M.C.C. victory is as follows:—

Sydney, Yesterday.

The M.C.C. beat an Australian XI., mostly players of New South Wales, by eight wickets. Scores:—

Australian XI. (1st innings) 231 runs (Larwood 3/80, Tate 3/88, White 3/47).

M.C.C. (1st) 357 runs (Hobbs 58, Mead 58, Tyldesley 69, Tate 59; Nothling 3/61, Bettington 3/98). Note: The Bettington may be R. H. Bettington, an Oxford Blue, who is an Australian, and who has played consistently for Middlesex.

Australian XI. (2nd innings) 248 runs (Geary 3/42, Tate 3/65, Larwood 2/81).

M.C.C. (2nd) 118 runs for 2 wickets (Hobbs 67 not out).—Reuter.

FRESH AND FINE

North-east winds, fresh, fine, is the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific.

Another has formed over China.

The typhoon is about 150 miles north-north-west of Yap, moving west or west-north-west.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 9.15 this morning.

2.45 p.m. 20th: Typhoon in about 138 degrees Long E. 12 degrees Lat. N. moving W.N.W.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0.5/16.

HOME LIFE FOR HOME SECRETARY

"JIX" & EVIL-DOERS

HE SAYS THAT "DISGUSTING BOOKS" MUST STOP

HIS SIMPLE LIFE

London — Sir William Joynson-Hicks, on returning to the public platform after his holiday, hinted at an increase of his activities as Home Secretary when addressing the London Diocesan Council of Youth. He said that in future he might have to deal with immoral and disgusting books.

There must be some lim't, he stated, to the freedom with which a man may write and speak about this great country. That freedom must be determined by the question of whether what was written and spoken caused "one of the least of these little ones" to offend.

"Give Me the Old Days!"

Sir William Joynson-Hicks was then asked whether it was as easy for boys and girls to walk along the straight and narrow path now as it was 50 years ago.

"I led a simple life as one of a family," he replied, "and was brought up to believe that Sunday was God's Day. But circumstances have changed. Home and the Sabbath and amusements are not what they were."

The newspapers state that the legal advisers to the Home Office are examining the Government's powers to suppress or prohibit immoral literature.

STEAMER WRECKED

FOUNDERS OFF THE CANTON RIVER

THE S.S. "TEJO"

News was received yesterday of the foundering of a river steamer off the Canton River. The number of casualties has not been ascertained but the damage to the cargo, it is believed, is very great.

The s.s. "Tejo," which was running between Canton and Suitung (south west of the Kwangtung Province), left Canton at 3 p.m. on Nov. 19.

After passing the port of Whampoa, the vessel, it is alleged, unable to withstand the waves of a river steamer which was approaching from the opposite direction, began to crack. The hold was flooded within fifteen minutes and the water soon reached the steerage. The doomed vessel, which was heavily loaded, had lost its control and was unable to proceed any longer.

The captain then sounded the siren for help. There was a panic among the passengers and, in the midst of confusion, the steam launch "Kwong Cheung" which was towing three boats came to the rescue.

The passengers, about 120, went on board the launch. Later, a second batch of passengers was carried by two motor boats. The casualties, (if any) it is believed, were few.

Finally, the Canton gunboat "Kong Ku" arrived on the scene. She stood by to guard against piracy.

The vessel, which completely sank at 7.15 p.m., had on board some 200 passengers. She was heavily loaded with cow bones, cotton yarn and other general cargo.

The s.s. "Tejo," which has a registered tonnage of 299 net, was formerly owned by Nicolaus & Co., and was built in 1900 by Murdoch and Murray, Glasgow. She was commanded by Captain Chan Cheung.

IRISH FREE STATE

TO HAVE A LEGATION IN BERLIN

REQUEST GRANTED

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Government has approved of the Irish Free State Government's request for the establishment of an Irish Legation in Berlin.—Reuter.

SECOND STAFFS

DISEMBARKED AT MALTA

Malta, Yesterday.

"Neuralia" disembarked the 2nd Batt. Staffordshire Regiment here. It was originally intended to send the battalion to the Far East but the ship was diverted here.—Reuter.

SAYS HE WAS SPAT AT 3 TIMES

A BOOKSELLER

MR. PASCO AND CHINESE MOTOR CAR DRIVER

CROSS SUMMONS

Cross-summonses were mentioned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, this morning, in which Mr. Boris Pasco, of Brewer's Bookshop, Pedder-street, was summoned by a Chinese motor car driver, named Kwong Wah, for alleged assault. He cross-summoned the Chinese for behaving in a disorderly manner, whereby a breach of peace might be occasioned.

Kwong Wah was represented by Mr. Horace Lo, whilst Mr. Pasco did not have a solicitor.

Mr. Lo requested that Mr. Pasco give him particulars of the alleged "disorderly manner."

Mr. Pasco told the Magistrate that the Chinese spat at h'm three times and used obscene language in Chinese, which he understood.

Mr. Lo: Before you hit him?—Yes.

Mr. Lo then applied to the Magistrate to fix a date for the hearing of the case.

Mr. Pasco said that he would rather have the case dealt with immediately. He explained that this was his busy season at the shop and it was inconvenient for him to have to attend Court again. Besides, he had collected all his witnesses and brought them to Court, and he was afraid that he would not be able to get them to come up again.

An Admission

Mr. Pasco added that he did not think the case would take long as he was prepared to admit that he struck the Chinese.

Mr. Lo said that it was inconvenient for him to proceed with the case as he did not know the facts. As a matter of fact, his brother, Mr. M. K. Lo, was going to take the case, and he was there only to have a date fixed for hearing. Mr. Lo added that it was usual to give an adjournment in such cases, had therefore he had come to Court not anticipating that the case would be proceeded with.

Mr. Lindsell remarked to the effect that Mr. Lo could not assume that the case would not be heard immediately.

Mr. Lo repeated that it was usual to fix a date.

Mr. Lindsell (to Mr. Pasco): You admit the assault, but allege that the spitting was the provocation?—Yes.

His Worship then remarked to Mr. Lo that he was inclined to support Mr. Pasco's application. It seemed hardly fair to him to give an adjournment after he had brought all his witnesses to Court.

Mr. Lo replied that on his side there were several independent witnesses who have not been brought to Court, besides, his (Mr. Lo's) side would have to open the case, and he could not do so because he did not know the facts.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that he had overlooked the fact that Mr. Lo's client was the original complainant, and told Mr. Pasco that in that circumstance he could not hear the case that morning, as Mr. Lo was not prepared to open.

Mr. Pasco remarked that it was not stated on the summons that it would not be heard that morning, and consequently he had brought his witnesses up. He applied to the Magistrate to take evidence on his cross-summons first.

To "Stand Down"

Mr. Lindsell ordered the case to stand down until after he had dealt with a few smaller summonses.

Afterwards, Mr. Lindsell told Mr. Lo that he saw no reason to refuse Mr. Pasco's application to hear his witnesses on the cross-summons that morning on the condition that the witnesses would have to come to Court again for cross-examination, if required.

Mr. Lo pointed out that that destroyed Mr. Pasco's objection to the adjournment, which he understood was to avoid having to trouble his witnesses to come to Court again. Besides, Mr. Lo said, after having the particulars placed before him by Mr. Pasco that morning he thought that there was a chance that it would not be necessary to hear the case at all, and the taking of evidence that morning might be a waste of his Worship's time after all.

His Lordship suggested an adjournment to Mr. Pasco, in view of what Mr. Lo had said.

Mr. Pasco: There is no guarantee of a withdrawal, though.

Mr. Lo said that not knowing the facts on his own side, he could not give a definite undertaking. All he could do was to indicate a possibility of the case being dropped.

Mr. Lindsell decided that in view of all the circumstances it would be better to give a week's formal adjournment, witnesses not to attend at the next hearing. If then it was decided to proceed with the case then a date could be fixed for hearing.

Mr. Pasco said that that was making the position worse and worse for him, as he would have to make several appearances in Court, and he could ill afford the time during this busy season.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that there was the possibility, as indicated by Mr. Lo, that Mr. Pasco would not have to attend Court again if the original summons was dropped. That was if he (Mr. Pasco) would not want to proceed with his own summons in such an event.

Mr. Pasco: I suppose that will have to suit, your Worship.

Mr. Lindsell accordingly gave a week's formal remand, directing that in case his client decided to withdraw, Mr. Lo should communicate with both his Worship and Mr. Pasco before the next hearing.

THE B. O. T. AND THE "VESTRIS"

M.P.'S QUERIES

INQUIRY TO COVER ALL THE MATERIAL POINTS

CAPTAIN'S GOOD NAME

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy, the Parliamentary Secretary for the Board of Trade, Mr. Williams said the form of the inquiry into the loss of the "Vestris" had not yet been decided. It would cover all the material points.

Comdr. Kenworthy's query as to what steps had been taken to protect in the New York Inquiry the good name of the dead captain elicited the reply that the proper instructions had been cabled at the earliest moment to the British Consul-General but Mr. Williams stressed the difficulty of our position as regards a foreign tribunal.—Reuter.

The New York Inquiry

New York, Yesterday.

The presence of Captain McConkey (British Marine Superintendent of the Cunard Line) at to-day's proceedings at the "Vestris" inquiry apparently facilitated the evidence of the sailor witnesses.

Both nautical experts questioned the witnesses and clarified the answers.

A negro fireman deposed that conditions in the stokehold were so bad that it took four men to do the work of one.

Another Inquiry

Another "Vestris" inquiry has been instituted, namely, the Investigation into the Department of Commerce into the actual condition of the "Vestris" when she left New York.

Inspector General Hoover, who presided, said he had received information that the official who had inspected the "Vestris," Captain Keane, after a hearty breakfast and lunch aboard, sat at the ship's bar "swilling whisky and beer" and subsequently signed the certificate. He left "rather unsteadily" with a small parcel under his arm.

"That's the most outrageous lie ever heard," shouted Keane indignantly. He denied the other charges, and declared that the lifeboats received the "severest inspection in the history of the American and British merchant marine."

The inquiry was adjourned.—Reuter's American Service.

THE "SHAFORCE"

THE COST TO DATE £4,250,000

STATEMENT IN COMMONS

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons, in reply to a question, it was revealed that the Shanghai Defence Force had, so far, cost 4¼ million sterling.—Reuter.

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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd April, 1928.

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HEAD OFFICE:—Taipeh, Formosa.

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Central Bank in Formosa.
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Hong Kong, 22nd September, 1927.

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Paid-up Capital 18,278,600.00
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Paid-Up Capital 5,000,000
Reserve 1,200,000

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

THE "SUN LIFE"

NEW HEAD OFFICE IN LONDON

Traffic noises—long a problem to officials and public of the City of London—will not worry the officials and staff of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. The terrific noise problem of London's traffic has been solved as far as the new British head office of the Sun Life Assurance Co., of Canada, is concerned. By a special system the ceilings of the building have been treated to absorb all noise, so that even with the windows wide open the traffic noises do not distract the staff from their work.

The building was officially opened by Right Hon. L. C. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs. It has many features new to London, and is believed to be the first thoroughly fireproof building erected there; not a stick of wood was used in its construction. It has hollow metal doors and safety glass, and all risk of fire has been so eliminated that even the desks are constructed of steel. It occupies a commanding position, and has changed the sky-line of Trafalgar-square on the north side.

Mr. Amery was welcomed to the building by the Hon. P. C. Larkin, High Commissioner for Canada, and President T. B. Macaulay. He was later presented with a golden key. Many distinguished guests in the social and business life of Great Britain visited the building during the day. In the evening a banquet was held at the Savoy Hotel, at which 500 guests were present.

CANADA'S NEED

Montreal.—Lord Melchett and Mr. J. H. Thomas have made a contribution to the immigration issue. The former asserts that Canada needs, not thousands, but hundreds of thousands, and that the whole question should be envisaged on a scale larger than that of any previous attempt. He also suggests that the health test may result in ruling out some who are physically incapacitated but have mental powers of value in a new country, instancing Cecil Rhodes, who entered the Cape in a tubercular condition.

Mr. Thomas, while still reserving comments on the harvester situation until his return, says that the immigration issue is too big to become a party matter, and that the problem is mutually urgent both for Canada and Great Britain.

Lord Melchett, discussing industrial interests, recalled that it was twenty-eight years since the Mond Nickel Company began operations in Sudbury, Ontario, then a tiny village, with one small smelting plant. He declared that following the post-war depression the nickel industry was showing signs of marked expansion throughout the world. As a result they had decided to expand and entirely reconstruct on the most modern lines the treatment of ore melting in Canada, as well as a further increase of their refining plant in South Wales.

BELFAST LINEN

GOOD DEMAND FOR SMALL LOTS

YARNS QUIET

Following is the report of The Irish Linen Society dated October 10:—

Flax

Irish.—Markets are just opening with good demand for the small quantities offered; quality medium too poor.

Courtrai.—Supplies are very small, and consequently selection is difficult at the moment.

Latvian.—Rather severe weather has set in and this is interfering seriously with the saving of the crop. The Government in consequence is very firm as regards the old crop holding. It is reported that enquiry has been made from the Continent for decent bulk, but the two ideas of a fair selling price are not in accordance.

Esthonian.—Night frosts are reported, so progress as regards harvesting is very slow. This must be about the latest crop on record. No business in fresh crop has been done yet.

Lithuanian.—Weather has now turned cold and rainy, but fair progress has been made with the steeping and spreading. A week ago about 40 per cent. was said to have been secured. Small samples should be available before long.

Soviet.—Snow has begun to fall, so that the last news that filtered through is not very bright. Moscow has given out no official new crop prices yet, but the consuming markets are not pressing.

Yarns

The market has been quietly steady during interval since last report. The main feature is the small stocks, which have resulted from the conservative policy on the part of spinners in keeping down production. No doubt there has been a slight easing in price, but still further reductions in flax are required to enable spinners to make ends meet. Reports from Czecho indicate that some mills, which have been closed down, intend to resume work for a limited time on behalf of the workers.

Weavers

There are numerous enquiries about and some actual business, but orders are not being freely placed. Some Manufacturers report improved conditions with the outlook brighter. Unfortunately, business booked shows no profit. Manufacturers in their anxiety to keep looms going, have entered goods at rates which must show a loss.

Merchants

Good business is being done in damask cloths and napkins. Housekeeping goods, outside novelty lines, are still quiet, but there has been more enquiry during the last fortnight. In cambrics and sheers in the piece, there is a fair amount of business passing. There is practically no change in handkerchiefs since last report. Fall shipments are in full swing, and U.S.A. and Colonial markets are anxious for all goods due for shipment.

Dress Linens

Business on coloured dress linens during the past month has been fairly good, but no bulk orders have been placed. U.S.A. buyers are influenced to some extent by the Presidential election in November, and are disposed to defer placing orders for quantity. There is no doubt, however, that both white and coloured dress linens are favourably regarded for next season.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	2/- ¼
Bank, on demand	2/- 5/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	—
Bank, 4 months' sight	2/- ½
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/1 ¼
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/1 ⅜
On Paris—	
On demand	1257½
Credits, 4 months' sight	1332½
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	49⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight	50¾
On Bombay—	
Wire	134¼
On demand	134¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire	134¼
On demand	134¼
On Singapore—	
On demand	86½
On Manila—	
On demand	98¾
On Shanghai—	
On demand	77⅝
30 days' sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	105¼
Gold Leaf (99 fine) (per tael)	.....
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.55
Silver (per oz.)	26 11/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	4% prem.
Chinese Copper Cash	nom.
Chinese Copper Cents	6% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	31% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par.

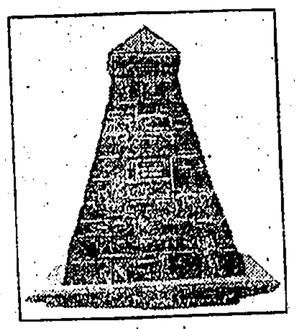
STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong during November, 1928, (standard time for the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), is as follow:—

Nov.	Sunrise. a.m.	Sunset. p.m.
20	6.39	5.39
21	6.39	5.38
22	6.40	5.38
23	6.41	5.38
24	6.41	5.38
25	6.42	5.38
26	6.43	5.38
27	6.44	5.38
28	6.45	5.38
29	6.45	5.38
30	6.46	5.38

Historic Ceremony in Mountains



Echoes of Confederation and of the steel band that first bound Canada together were recalled recently when a handsome cairn was erected by the Canadian Pacific Railway at Craigellachie, B.C., to mark the spot where the last spike in the link between the east and the west was driven by Lord Strathcona on November 7, 1885.

On the cairn, which stands about seven feet in height, is a bronze tablet bearing the inscription, "Here was driven the last spike completing the Canadian Pacific Railway from ocean to ocean, November 7, 1885." An interesting feature is the fact that a space has been provided around the cairn so that ceremonies commemorating the historic day can be held.

WOMAN CURED AFTER 25 YEARS SUFFERING BY POO ON CHINESE HERBS.
FIVE IN ONE FAMILY RESTORED TO HEALTH.

Mrs. F. Meinhart, who resided at 15, H. Street, Modesto Cal., U.S.A., says:—"For 25 long years I suffered with severe pains in my left side that at times confined me to bed for days. I was unable to do my work or move about. Along with these came dropsy and stomach trouble. I was unable to eat very much without causing gas, pain and distress. Words cannot express my suffering during these years. My husband spent thousands of dollars seeking relief for me. I have been to scores of doctors many of whom were rated as specialists of high standing, but none was able to tell me what was the trouble and relieve me. Almost every time I went to a doctor I was advised to have my side operated upon or a change of climate for my dropsy and stomach trouble. Fortunately I was not operated upon but my family and I have spent years seeking a climate or medicine that would help me. We left our home at Kansas and travelled to Alabama Oregon and California and have consulted many specialists of these States but without avail. I have never gotten any better during these years of travelling and doctoring, but became worse and more discouraged as everything failed. Thinking a dry climate would help we decided to try San Joaquin Valley and came to Modesto to reside. It was here after a time that I heard of the great benefit of the Poo On Chinese Herbs and the great cures accredited to them. At first I was sceptical and doubtful and thought that they were another panacea. But I decided to go thinking in my distress that there was a possible chance left. At the time I went I weighed 125 pounds and to-day I weigh 175 pounds. I must say that the result of taking Poo On Chinese Herbs must have been miraculous to me. After taking the Herbs I was first entirely cured of dropsy and stomach trouble and, after more treatment, the pain in my side left and has never returned. I have never felt better all my life than I do to-day and I owe nothing but thanks and gratitude towards Poo On Chinese Herbs and Yee Foo Lun the Herbalist.

After years of suffering and after the enormous expense of travelling and the endless doctors' bills there is nothing that I can do but speak good for the Poo On Chinese Herbs and heartily recommend them.

Four other members of my family have also been cured by the Poo On Chinese Herbs, which causes me to endorse them more strongly. My husband was suffering from a sore on his lip that was painful and troublesome, and as he was a heavy smoker we believed that it was turning to smoking cancer. He consulted the herbalist and was given some remedies and he was entirely cured and the sore has gone.

My boy Edward aged 17, was troubled with a pain in his side which caused collapse when he did hard work. We had to see that he was exempted from High School exercises because the pain caused him to drop out. The doctor said that he had Appendicitis and that it would be necessary to operate if he expected to be well again. We decided to try Poo On Chinese Herbs and after a few treatments the boy became well and is now able to do all kinds of hard work without any more pain.

Another of my boys, Fred, aged 21, had suffered many years with catarrh and became worse as time went on. He tried many treatments and remedies without result but we can say that after taking some Poo On Chinese Herbs he was completely cured and has never been troubled since.

My daughter Blanch, a few years ago fell and hurt her side very severely and since that time she was troubled with pain in her side and was unable to find anyone or anything that would help her. The poor girl suffered so much that she had to quit work. A few treatments with the Poo On Chinese Herbs and the girl has been feeling normal ever since.

My whole family cannot express in words its gratitude towards Poo On Chinese Herbs. They have brought health and happiness into our home and have stopped the seemingly endless doctors' bills. We all heartily recommend Poo On Chinese Herbs and have sent many friends to the Herbalist and in every case they have been benefited by Poo On Chinese Herbs.

(During this interview regarding this story taken by a special representative of the newspaper, Mr. F. Meinhart, Sr., was present and said "We are glad to tell anyone what Poo On Chinese Herbs have done for my family").

Thousands suffering from catarrh, bronchial and throat trouble, asthma, hay fever, malaria, stomach trouble, indigestion, constipation, gastritis, piles, fistula, heart and skin disease, eczema, scrofula, nervousness, insomnia, obesity, kidney and bladder trouble, diabetes, rheumatism, neuralgia, dropsy, pyorrhea, epileptic fits, paralysis, tumors, ulcers, pimples, family trouble, dizziness, headaches, and many other chronic diseases, have been restored to health and happiness, without poisonous drugs, or the knife by the Poo On Chinese Herbs.

THE POO ON HERB CO.

YEE FOO LUN, Chinese Herbalist, Managing Directors, Main Office: Modesto, Calif., U.S.A. Hong Kong Office, 66, Queen's Road Central, Office Hours daily: 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Evening Hours: 6.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. by special appointment only. European Lady in Attendance.

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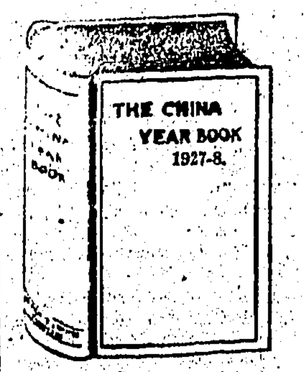

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ON

FRIDAY, 23rd November, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

Hatstands, Tapestry Covered Couches and Armchairs, Glass Cabinets, Desks, Looking Glasses, Carpets, Rugs, Bookcases, Victor Gramophones with Records, Teak Overmantel with Bevelled Mirror, Wall Clock, Camera, Oil Paintings, Pictures, Brass Ornaments, etc., etc.

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Catalogues will be issued.

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Hong Kong, 16th Nov., 1928.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON

FRIDAY, 23rd November, 1928, commencing at 5.15 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of Old and Rare Postage Stamps of Great Britain and Colonies.

Comprising:—

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Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers

Hong Kong, 17th Nov., 1928.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON

MONDAY, 26th November, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m., at No. 34, Humphreys' Building, Kowloon.

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Sunday, the 25th November, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 19th Nov., 1928.

NOTICES.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 26th day of November, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Sq. Feet.	Annual Rental.	Premium.
			N.	Ft.	E.	W.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2156.	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1551, Old Street, Mong Kok Tsui.	Ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About		
			As per sale plan.				1,054	12	1,584

PUBLIC BAND CONCERT.

A Public Band Concert will be given in the BOTANIC GARDENS on SUNDAY, November 25th, from 4 to 5.30 p.m.

By the Band of the KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS (By kind permission of Lt.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. and Officers).

Admission to Gardens free; 50 cents to Enclosure.

FANLING HUNT
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Steeplechases.

SATURDAY, 24th NOVEMBER.
First Race 3.00 p.m.

Admission to Public Enclosure $1. (Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price)

Cars parked on the course $10 each.

Special Train leaves Kowloon 1.50 p.m.

Returns 5.40 p.m.

First class return fare including admission to Public Enclosure $2.

Free parking for cars.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON

TUESDAY, 27th November, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m., at No. 33, Humphreys' Building (Top Floor), Kowloon.

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
(including Fine Carpets and Blackwood Ware.)

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Monday, the 26th November, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 21st Nov., 1928.

SIX ATTEMPTS

MAN WHO HAD BEEN 23 TIMES IN ASYLUMS

ONCE MORE

James Thomas King, aged 44, seaman, was charged at the Mansion House, E.C., with attempting to commit suicide by cutting his throat.

Detective-Sergeant Hobbs stated that it was the sixth occasion on which King had attempted to cut his throat. He had been 23 times in mental hospitals. He had been discharged on a number of occasions, but several other times he had run away.

In answer to Alderman Sir William Pryke, the detective said the man's attempts to cut his throat has previously been of so crude a nature that it had been thought he was malingering. This time he would have died but for the prompt action of a police constable. King was suffering from chronic ear disease, which probably caused mental depression.

King was remanded for a medical examination.

Princess in Paris

Yvonne Gouraud, formerly the Princess Miskinoff, who, it was reported in Paris, intends to marry again.

DOCTOR CRITICISED

ALLEGED REFUSAL TO ATTEND DYING WOMAN

The Salford coroner (Mr. Howard Flint) at an inquest at Pendleton expressed disapproval of what he described as the callous conduct of a doctor.

The inquest was on Mrs. Hannah Parr, a member of the Salford Guardians, who was knocked down by a motor-car recently.

P. C. Kenyon said as the woman was seriously injured he sent another officer to the surgery of Dr. Hill, a few yards away, but the doctor refused to assist. He then went to the surgery himself and asked the doctor to attend as the woman was apparently bleeding to death, but he again refused.

"I am sorry I have no jurisdiction in this case," said the coroner, "but the jury will join with me in expressing disapproval of this callous conduct."

The inquest was adjourned indefinitely.

MACAO CHARITY AND COMMERCIAL FAIR.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE cordially requests the pleasure of the presence of the general public at the Inaugural Ceremony of the Fair on SATURDAY, 3rd November, 1928, at 9 p.m.

COL. DUARTE VEIGA,
Chairman.

24th October, 1928.

COSTLY "LADDERS"

STOCKING THAT COULD SAVE WOMEN MILLIONS

HOSIERY SAFEGUARDING

Nottingham. — Mr. Douglas Hacking, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary of the Overseas Trade Department, opening the exhibition of hosiery machinery, and textile appliances at Nottingham, said:—

Assuming there are 17,000,000 women in the United Kingdom, of whom 10,000,000 wear silk or artificial silk stockings at 3s. a pair and eight pairs a year (I do not think this extravagant), £12,000,000 is annually spent by women.

What an enormous saving could be made if a holeless or ladderless stocking could be produced. Every time a stocking ladders, it means good money thrown away. Here is a great opportunity for a close investigation for the adaptation of new conditions.

Mr. Hacking stated that while 8,000 hosiery operatives were totally unemployed, we imported annually £4,000,000 of foreign hosiery.

"The last application for a duty failed," he added, "but it may be easier to get the industry safeguarded after the next general election."

His department's inability to get foreign Governments to modify their tariffs was because under our free trade system we could not say to them, "If you raise your barriers against our goods we shall put up barriers against yours.

Sister vs. Sister

Evidence of alleged perjury in connection with divorce granted in April, 1927, to Princess Elaine von der Lippe-Lipski (above) has been filed as the ground for re-opening the case. The evidence consists of an affidavit by one of the Princess' maids. Mrs. Gertrude Schroeder (lower photo), a sister of the Princess was co-respondent.

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WAKASA MARU ..... Sunday, 9th December.

NEW YORK and BOSTON via PANAMA.
† TSUYAMA MARU ..... Monday, 26th November.
† ASUKA MARU ..... Satu day, 8th December.

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† DAKAR MARU ..... Friday, 21st December.

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ANDES MARU ..... Monday, 10th December.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town
SANTOS MARU ..... Friday, 23rd November.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
SUMATRA MARU ..... Thursday, 22nd November.
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DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU ..... Saturday, 1st December.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon
* GANGES MARU ..... Monday, 3rd December.
CELEBES MARU ..... Thursday, 18th December.
(*Calls at Belawan Deli.)

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai & Japan ports.
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai) . Friday, 7th December.

MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
MADRAS MARU ..... Thursday, 6th December.

SAIGON
SHINSEI MARU ..... Friday, 7th December.

HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow.
MENADO MARU ..... Thursday, 22nd November 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama
JAPAN PORTS
ALTAI MARU ..... Wednesday, 21st November.
TACOMA MARU ..... Friday, 23rd November.
SANUKI MARU ..... Tuesday, 27th November.

KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY
CANTON MARU ..... Sunday, 25th Nov. noon.

TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY
DELI MARU ..... Thursday, 29th November 10 a.m.

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SANUKI MARU ..... Tuesday, 27th November.

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A GREEK CAPTAIN'S STORY

WIRELESS MESSAGE

Rouen.—The commander of the vessel "Albert Leborgne" has presented to the authorities a report regarding the sinking of the French submarine "Ondine." It appears that on October 4, when 80 miles north of the place where the catastrophe occurred he received a wireless message from the Cape Finisterre station. The message consisted of one indistinct word followed by the word "submerged." The commander translated the indistinct word by the word "wreck," and did not trouble any further. It was only later, when reading the newspapers on his return to Rouen, that the captain understood that the indistinct word was submarine, and not "wreck."

According to the Rotterdam correspondent of the "Journal," the French Consul there, M. Gidas, was informed on October 11 that Greek sailors were talking in cabarets about the disappearance of the "Ondine." "M. Gidas," the newspaper adds, "on the following day notified his chief, M. Nicault, who entered into relations with his Greek colleague." They both thereupon went to the Commander of the port, where they were informed that the captain of the Greek steamer "Ekaterina Goulandris" had presented a report in which a somewhat vague reference was made to the question of a collision with a wreck. The captain, when summoned before the Consuls, spoke first of all of the collision with a wreck, and then admitted that it might have been with a submarine. He added that the collision occurred about 11 o'clock, and that he searched the ocean until noon of the following day. Some of the sailors on board the ship, however, assert that the "Ekaterina Goulandris" continued her voyage after stopping for a few hours only.

The captain denied that the steamer was proceeding without lights. Orders have been given for the ship to remain in dock until the end of the inquiry. The Greek Consul has requested the captain and sailors to remain at his disposal.

YANGTSZE PIRACY

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The Chinese junk "Chin Chang Tai," from Dairen to Shanghai, reports that it was attacked by 60 pirates in the estuary of the Yangtsze River.

The junk's crew of 13 were overpowered, despite desperate resistance. Fifteen of them were murdered and thrown overboard. The junk was only released after payment of a ransom of $16,000.—Reuter.

Railway First Aid Champions

First Aid teams of the Canadian Pacific Railway made a clean sweep this year of St. John Ambulance Association competitions in which they were eligible. Outstanding among the trophies won by the various teams of the Company were the Montizambert Trophy, representing the open championship of the Dominion won by the Chapleau, Ontario, team; the Wallace Nesbitt trophy, emblematic of the open championship among railways in Canada, the States of Maine and Michigan, which was won by the Toronto Freight Offices and the Sherwood Police Shield, for the highest honors in police competitions open to all uniformed forces in the Dominion. This trophy was carried off by the Angus Police Team No. 1 of the Angus works, Montreal.

In the photograph above is seen the team representing the Toronto Freight Offices, holders of the Wallace Nesbitt Railway trophy. Members are, from left to right, top row: W. T. Warren, A. G. Shakespeare, first aid instructor of eastern lines; and A. T. Curle. Lower row, left to right: C. Sellen and H. H. Braid. The team are also holders of the Grand Challenge Cup, representing the championship of the C.P.R. system, the Oborne Cup, symbolic of the championship of Ontario district of the Company, and the Shaughnessy Shield, representing the championship of eastern lines. The Wallace Nesbitt trophy is seen in the centre above, while below it is the Shaughnessy Shield. At the right is the Grand Challenge Cup and, at the left, the Oborne Cup.

The various awards were presented to the Canadian Pacific teams in the board room of the Company in Montreal recently, in the presence of E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the C.P.R., and a large gathering of the officials; also officers of the St. John Ambulance Association.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The Dollar Liner "President Lincoln" left Seattle on Nov. 8 and is scheduled to arrive at this port on Friday.

The P. & O. s.s. "Naldera" left Singapore for this port on Sunday at noon with the outward English Mails, and is due here on Friday at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 3.30 p.m., and is due here on Friday at about 4 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hong Kong on Nov. 7, is due at Vancouver on Saturday.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France", Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R., left Southampton on Oct. 31, and is due at Bombay on Nov. 16. She is expected here on Nov. 25 and will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at Noon on Nov. 28.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benerunchan" from Antwerp, London, Straits and Saigon, is due to arrive here on Nov. 23.

The M.V. s.s. "Ceylon" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dunkirk on Nov. 15, and is due here on or about Dec. 24.

LOCAL SHIPPING

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Ninghai (1,482) British, from Canton—B. & S.

Cheong Shing 1,256) British, from Canton—J. M. & Co.

Hydrangea (561) British, from Swatow—Chiu On & Co.:—184 passengers, 1 ton general cargo for Hong Kong.

Cronatula (3,549) British, from Miri—A. P. C. Co.:—7,296 tons fuel oil for Hong Kong.

Song Bo (720) French, from Haiphong, Fort Bayard—M. M.:—20 passengers, 5 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,000 tons coal (through).

Paul Lecat (7,546) French, from Yokohama, Shanghai—M. M.:—309 passengers, 74 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 731 tons (through).

Coblenz (5,395) German, from Hamburg, Manila—Melchers & Co.:—113 passengers, 460 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,000 tons (through).

Van Heutsz (2,749) Dutch, from Amoy, Swatow—J. C. J. L.:—937 passengers, 1,384 tons general cargo (through).

Vulcanus (707) Dutch, from Swatow—A. P. C.

Tjibesar (6,730) Dutch, from Soerabaya, Tarakan—J. C. J. L.:—8,300 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,940 tons (through).

Baune (682) Norwegian, from Canton—K. Larssen & Co.:—8 passengers.

Mishima Maru (4,915) Japanese, from Yokohama, Nagasaki— N. Y. K.:—201 passengers, 700 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,500 tons (through).

Canton Maru (1,614) Japanese, from Keelung, Swatow—O. S. K.:—23 passengers, 708 tons coal and general cargo for Hong Kong.

Menado Maru (1,285) Japanese, from Haiphong—O. S. K.:—4 passengers, 1,911 tons lime stone for Hong Kong.

Sumatra Maru (4,272) Japanese, from Yokohama, Moji—O. S. K.:—700 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,000 tons (through).

Rangoon Maru (3,638) Japanese, from Calcutta, Singapore—N. Y. K.:—653 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,701 tons (through).

Chung Kong (447) Chinese, from Tourane—Yau Lee Nav. Co.:—200 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Tak Hong (105) Chinese, from Autow—Fook Hoi:—46 passengers, 7 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (101) Chinese, from Macao—Hoo Hing Co.—45 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Clearance.

For Pakhoi:—Raymond Poincare.
For Hoihow:—New Mathilda, Chinhua.
For Manila:—Mishima Maru, Tjisalak.
For Dairen:—Kojun Maru.

Departures.

For Bereonx:—Siberoet.
For Shanghai:—Hsin Wah.
For Haiphong:—Francis Garnier.
For Macao:—Tak Hing.
For Swatow:—Haiyang, Kwong Sang, Yuan Lee.
For Canton:—Huichow, Song Bo, Vulcanus.
For Manila:—Pres. Grant.
For Singapore:—Tilan, Takada, Ho Sang.
For Amoy:—Tjilliboet, Suiyang.
For Saigon:—Wong Shek Kung, Paul Lecat.
For K. C. Wan:—Wing Lee.
For Manila:—Calulu.
For Kobe:—Rangoon Maru.
For Autow:—Tak Hing.
For Hongay:—Hwah Wu.
For Hoihow:—Baune, Michael Jebsen.
For Hongay:—Apoey.

	Arrivals	Departures	In Port
British	4	10	18
French	2	3	3
German	1	0	1
Dutch	3	3	5
Japanese	5	1	7
Norwegian	1	1	9
Chinese	3	6	8
American	0	1	2
Danish	0	1	0
Portuguese	0	0	2
	19	20	55

SHIP MOVEMENTS

BRITISH FLAGSHIP IN JAPAN

H.M.S. "Kent," flagship of the Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, left Kagoshima yesterday for Mitsugi.

H.M.S. "Herald" is to due to arrive here on Nov. 28 and H.M.S. "Iroquois" on Dec. 1. Both are surveying vessels of 1,650 tons displacement.

H.M.'s temporary transport "Taming" left Hong Kong yesterday for Shanghai.

"Funny Face," the new musical comedy, with Mr. Leslie Henson and the Astaires, is being presented at the Princes Theatre, London.

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„ Colombo	„ 6		„ Port Said	„	16
„ Port Said	„ 16		„ Plymouth	„	23

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MALWA	10,946	8th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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		1929	
TALMA	10,000	5th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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The task of finding a scheme for the furtherance of goodwill in industry toward which the Glasgow and West of Scotland Association of Foremen Engineers and Draughtsmen are devoting their energies was the subject of an address to the members at the annual meeting of the association in the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders, Glasgow.

The past president, Mr. James Vance, explained how, a year ago, the association took up the subject and of the promotion of a prize essay scheme, the result of which was recently announced. At the present moment, he said, the committee were engaged in examining the material contained in the 94 essay papers received, and a report would be issued in due course. He appealed for the close co-operation of the members in the development of the scheme for goodwill in industry, as the question affected each member as an individual. He was sure that an association like theirs, which was so fully conversant with workshop conditions, could draw up a scheme which would commend itself to industry as being something that would tend to promote better feeling among those engaged and make progress towards solving some of the most difficult problems with which industry was faced to-day.

The annual report of the association, which was submitted by the secretary, Mr. T. M'Guire, and adopted, stated that the membership had increased during the year to its present dimensions of 213 honorary life members, 47 honorary annual members, and 326 ordinary members. The year had been one of the most active in the history of the association, not only with monthly lectures, visits to works, and social functions, but on account of the efforts of the Committee on Goodwill in Industry.

PASSENGER LIST

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the A.M.L. Liner s.s. "President Jefferson" from Hong Kong for San Francisco on Nov. 20 were:—

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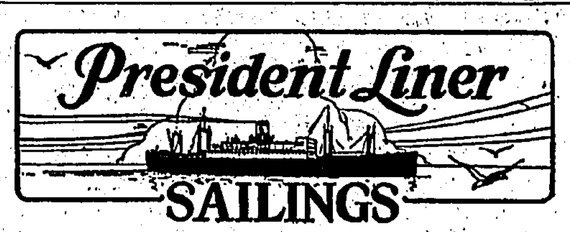

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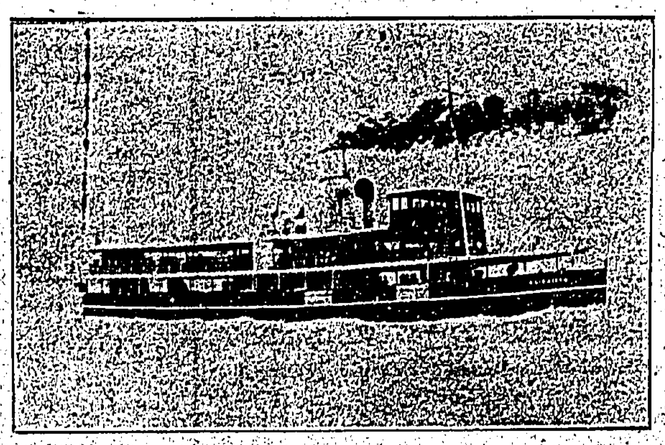

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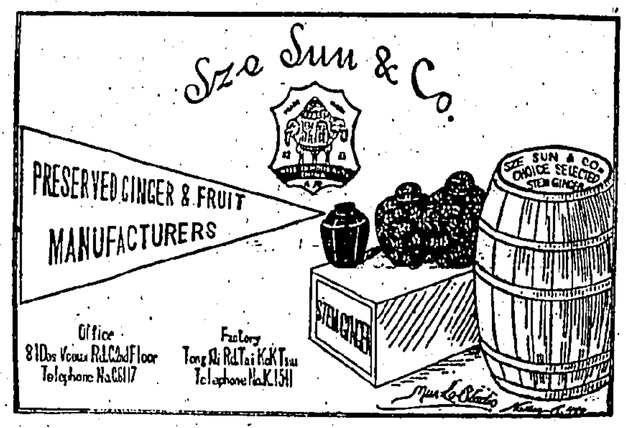

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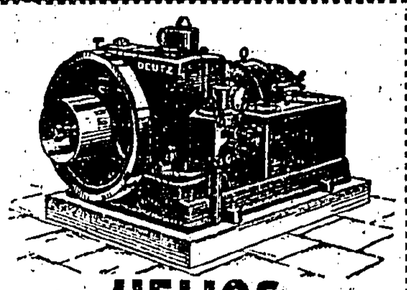

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THE STAMP BILL

We firmly believe that the consensus of opinion among the business community and residents generally of this Colony is strongly opposed to the adoption of any such measure as that which the Government propose shortly to introduce to the Legislative Council. The measure alluded to is one which has as its primary object the prevention of the evasion of Estate Duty. It appears that here as elsewhere the estates of wealthy individuals, on being wound up, have occasionally yielded so little to the revenue that the Government have, not unnaturally, concluded that something should be done to counteract such a state of affairs. It is not surprising that they should wish to do so, but many people are genuinely surprised by what has been proposed. It appears that as a result of the Government's cogitations they have decided to effect a radical change in the method of dealing in shares, obviously so as to be able to have a better hold with regard to share transactions in connection with estates.

The change is of such a drastic nature that it will indubitably prove harmful to those whose business it is to deal in shares. Is this fair? Why should they be penalised? It seems to us that these people have had to bear more in the "lean times" of the past few years, than any other class of business men in our midst. Naturally they resent this interference with their methods and it must be conceded that to have to do business according to the cumbersome methods proposed will entail considerable hardship. The multiple transferring of shares, both when they are purchased and when they are deposited, with the bank as security against an overdraft, is intolerable, as not only will it interfere with legitimate business but it will in all propability kill it and will prevent many people from investing in the ordinary way. It will as certainly drive such people and their money away from the local share market, and this, of course, will be bad for the Colony generally. The Government would do well to remember that at home, before a Chancellor of the Exchequer ventures upon new taxation, he very carefully surveys the whole situation, and is particularly cautious that he does not clog the wheels of industry by his new proposal. We in Hong Kong want a virile and not a moribund share market and one that will attract and not repel money from freely circulating in our midst. The Government's newfangled and hastily conceived proposals will do much more harm than good; will apply, as it were, a kind of glue instead of a wholesome lubricant to our industrial machinery. The proposals are all too drastic and the lapses of a few in dodging the Estate Duty by no means justify such a radical and revolutionary change of methods in local share dealing. We hold no brief for the share brokers, but we maintain that this proposed interference into their methods—against "Olo" custom — is unjustified and inexcusable. It surely is not the business of the Government to hamper any legitimate commercial concern; but if they persist in their intended course that is precisely what they will do. Already our local exchange is finding direct competition in Canton where shares are now being quoted. Chinese with money to invest are very unlikely to do business in Hong Kong if they have to do it in the cumbersome and expensive way proposed. This affair is no innovation, as it was proposed some years ago and, on the suggestion of the then Chief Manager of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and the late Sir Paul Chater, it was promptly dropped.

The same objections that were effectual against it then are just as effectual now. It was regarded as unworkable then; and unworkable it is now. It seems to us that the brokers are just as anxious as any class of business men to prevent evasion of the Estate Duty, and they are even more willing and more able than most to make practicable suggestions to assist the Government to combat successfully such evasions, and prevent their recurrence. Could anything be more irritating, both to investor and broker, than that shares deposited with a bank in return for a loan should have to be transferred to some nominee of the bank and retransferred on withdrawal? There is a good old adage about "letting well alone," and we, therefore, together with the vast majority of the business men of this Colony, trust that the Government will realise the seriousness of the step which they propose to take before it is too late.

The Story of Kowloon.

It is a fitting tribute to the growth of Kowloon that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has signified his intention of opening the Peninsula Hotel on December 11. Exactly what Kowloon stands for in regard to the Colony as a whole has never been expressed; it would be difficult, indeed, to attempt its appraisal. That it means much goes without question and that it will mean more and more as time passes is an acknowledged fact. Somebody there is among us who could write a most interesting history of the Peninsular, taking us back to the days of the old Portuguese settlers, but he—whoever he is—has not yet come forward. Our suggestion is that it would be a fitting task for Mr. J. P. Braga, when this gentleman has time from his everyday duties, his thankless (so far as officialdom is concerned) Sanitary Board duties and his immediate call for special jury service.

The physical universe consists of a substantial entity, which we may call a fluid—though it is unlike any fluid that we have ever encountered — permeating everything . . . Can it be true that the universe is like a running down clock? Is there anything that can wind it up again? The answer is "Yes, intelligence."—"The Westminster Gazette," London

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St. Andrew's Ball will be held in the City Hall on Friday, November 30.

Mr. W. J. G. Whiley, of the Standard Oil Co., returned to the United States on furlough by the "President Jefferson" yesterday.

It is announced that owing to the big demand for reserved seats for "The Sport of Kings" bookings can also be made for pit-stall seats for the final performance on Saturday night.

Rose Day in aid of the funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the poor of the Colony will take place on Saturday, December 1. A Pontiac Six 5-seater sedan motor car will be drawn for on the night of the Society's fete, December 8.

MAXIM GORKI

ROYALTIES MUST BE IN FOREIGN CASH

Riga.—A galaxy of leading Soviet Commissars went to the Moscow railway station recently to bid farewell to Maxim Gorki, the author and publicist, who is returning to Sorrento (Italy), where he will edit a new Soviet monthly journal called "Our Achievements."

Gorki's departure has been delayed because the Government printing trust wished to change its contract, which gives Gorki £1,000 a month as royalties on his writings. Gorki wisely inserted a clause providing that he should be paid in foreign currency, and the Bolsheviks wish to remit that amount to him in roubles, which have fallen 50 per cent. in value during the last six months.

After lengthy negotiations it was agreed that while he is in Russia he will accept half the payment in Soviet currency, but while he is abroad the entire payment will be made either in pounds or dollars.

Gorki has promised to return to Russia next May.

PENINSULA HOTEL.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) has consented formally to open the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, on Tuesday, December 11, at 4.30 p.m. On that day the Company's Directorate are holding a Reception at the Hotel from 4.30 to 6 p.m., invitations to which are now in course of despatch.

PRETTY WEDDING

MISS SINTON—LIEUT. R. F. WRIGHT

AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

St. John's Cathedral was the scene of a pretty wedding yesterday afternoon, when Miss Edith Marjorie Sinton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sinton, of Guildford, County Down, Ireland, became the bride of Lieut. R. F. Wright, R.A., son of Mr. R. T. Wright.

The wedding was of some considerable interest, as the bridegroom was for a time recently the acting A.D.C., to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government during the absence from the Colony of Capt. A. J. L. Whyte.

Amongst the large gathering at the Cathedral and at Government House where the reception was subsequently held, were His Excellency and Mrs. Southorn.

The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. A. Swann, D.S.C., Dean of Hong Kong, who was assisted by Capt. the Rev. C. S. Little, C.F. Mr. F. Mason presided at the organ.

Mr. J. F. Wright gave the bride away. She was charmingly attired in a gown of white georgette embroidered with pearls, with train to match. This was carried by two page boys, and the bride was attended by the Misses Peggie Wright, Joan Coutts, Marybud Hancock and Jean Mackie as bridesmaids. They all wore dresses of deep coral georgette with felt hats and shoes of deeper shade.

The best man was Lieut. C. N. Joy, R.A., whilst the following of the bridegroom's brother officers acted as groomsmen: Lieut. K. W. Maurice Jones, D.S.O., R.A., Lieut. A. H. Musson, R.A., and Lieut. A. J. T. Graham, R.A.

After the ceremony, the bride and bridegroom left the Cathedral under an arch of swords formed by officers of the Royal Artillery, whilst men from the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade, R.A., drew the motor car to Government House.

The Reception

Those present at the reception included His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Southorn, accompanied by Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C., Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, the Hon Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C., the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., and Mrs. Kotewall, Sir Henry Gollan, K.C., Sir Shou-son and Lady Chow, H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Lady Pollock, Colonel R. B. Skinner, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, and a large number of other prominent residents, representatives of all the Army units in the Colony, and of the Navy and Royal Air Force.

The bride cut the pretty cake, topped with a miniature harp, with her husband's sword, assisted by His Excellency, the bridegroom and the four bridesmaids.

The health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by His Excellency who wished them much joy and happiness. He said with regard to joy, the happy couple had taken great care to bring it there with them.

Referring to the bride, His Excellency said that Mrs. Wright had only been in Hong Kong a very short time, and most of those present did not know her before. However, she had quickly charmed them all and they would no doubt regret that she was not likely to be long enough in Hong Kong for them to enjoy her company as much as they could hope.

With regard to the bridegroom, His Excellency said that both he and Mrs. Southorn had had the pleasure of close acquaintance with Lieut. Wright for two or three months, and the more they knew him the better they liked him. That was surely a good augury for a happy married life, and he (Mr. Southorn) believed that Lieut. Wright would make as perfect a husband as he was an acceptable A.D.C.

The toast of the bride and bridegroom was honoured with cheers.

In returning thanks, Lieut. Wright said that it was impossible for him to express true appreciation of the way in which the toast had been received. Both he and his bride were deeply indebted to His Excellency and Mrs. Southorn for holding the reception at Government House.

Afterwards the bridegroom proposed a toast to the bridesmaids, and Lieut. Joy replied.

Lieut. and Mrs. Wright left later on their honeymoon, the bride's going away dress being of beige crepe de Chine with a brown hat and fur trimmed coat.

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into the office, and was met with, "where have you been? I rang for you over half an hour ago."

"Yes, sir," replied the lad, "I've bin lookin' for Alec Terry, but e' don't work 'ere."

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

"Have you ever seen worse weather than this, Mister Sailor?" asked the nervous lady passenger of the deck hand.

"Take a word from an old salt, missus," said the deck hand. "There ain't much the matter with the weather when there's any women on deck a-making inquiries about it.' '

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A dear old lady at Ascot approached a bookmaker and said: "Please put a shilling on Duleepsinhji for me."

"What!" exclaimed the bewildered bookmaker, "Duleepsinhji? He's a cricketer, not a horse!"

"Dear me!" said the dear old soul. "Then I must have stuck a pin in the cricket column by mistake!"

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Tommy was halting and stammering his way through a Latin translation, and the teacher was deftly trying to assist his laggard memory. "Sinister" was the word she wanted.

"Come, come, Tommy," she urged. "You know the Latin for 'left,' surely?"

Tommy scratched his head for a moment, then looked up triumphantly. "Spinster," he piped.

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"Don't you think that if I had lived in the olden days I would have made a good knight?" asked the young man who had bored her for hours describing a cinema picture he had seen.

"I don't care so much what you would have been then," observed the girl, wearily, "but you might try to see what kind of a good-night you can make now."

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"Diner: "I can't eat this soup."

"Waiter: "I'll call the manager."

Diner (when manager arrives): "This soup, I can't eat it."

Manager: "I regret that; I'll fetch the chef."

Diner (when chef arrives): "I can't eat this soup."

Chef: "What's the matter with it?"

Diner: "Nothing; I ain't got a spoon!"

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At the end of the season the huntsman of a famous pack of hounds went around paying for any damage done to fields and so so.

In one farmhouse he found only the wife at home. He explained his errand.

"Has your husband made an examination yet?" he asked.

"That he has, sir," replied the woman.

"Rather a cursory examination, I suspect?"

"Oh dreadful!" exclaimed the woman. "Such language I never thought to hear—never!"

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In an explosion at the dynamite factory a workman was killed.

One of his mates was despatched to break the sad news to the widow as gently as possible.

"Is Your Bill insured, Mrs. Brown?" he asked as the woman came to the door in answer to his knock.

"Yes, of course," answered Mrs. Brown. "What makes you ask that?"

"Well, I hope you won't have the same trouble collecting his insurance money as the boys are having collecting him."

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A newly-wed hubby said,
"Kate,
That tart which you made was
"just great."
"Said his wife, with a start,
"But the tart is still there,
So that which you ate was the
plate."

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A traveller staying for a week-end in a village was telling the oldest inhabitant that he could not imagine how people managed to live in such a dull place.

"Well, zur," said the native, "you should stay until next week, and then you'd see the whole countryside stirred up."

"What is going to happen?"

"Ploughing."

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We've unstinted applause for
the diver so bold,
When careering along amid
dangers untold,
Over submarine hedges and
ditches.
But there's one thing I wonder
about the brave man,
In his helmet so strong, and
that just how he can
Give a scratch to his nose when
it itches.

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It was the office boy's first day, and when his new boss arrived he was told his various duties, being finally warned that when the buzzer went he was to answer with alacrity.

During the morning the boss rang, and, receiving no answer, rang and rang again.

Half an hour later the boy went

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YEO TRIAL

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This safe, Mr. Black continued, was kept open during office hours. Accused had access to it for books kept in it and under his charge.

Mr. Black then related the circumstances of accused having been engaged in September, 1927 and his resigning immediately after a quarrel, on Jan. 6, 1928.

Put on a Table

After describing in minute detail the procedure in the Public Works Department before the Director of Public Works certifies the Teaport Dome scandal.—Reusury for payment, Mr. Black explained each step taken in the Treasury before and after a cheque is made.

When a cheque is finally ready, Mr. Black said in effect, they are pinned together with the voucher or vouchers concerned and placed on a small table at the entrance to Mr. Messer's office. From this table, cheques are taken in to Mr. Messer.

After Mr. Messer has signed a cheque, it goes to Mr. Black for signature, the latter continued. He, witness then went through certain procedure (which he decribed in detail)—and which Mr. Sheldon stressed as being very important for the jury—before he added his signature to a cheque and put his initials to the voucher.

Office Routine

Just as Mr. Jenkin rose to cross-examine, Sir Robert Ho Tung entered and took a seat in the side benches near the jury, opposite the Press bench.

The first question, said Mr. Jenkin, that he wished to put to Mr. Black was in regard to the office routine at the Treasury.

Inter alia, Mr. Black said that he was the immediate superior of Tsang On-wing (the cash book clerk). Tsang On-wing is responsible for counting the number of cheques in a book.

Sometimes the number of cheques, when issued by the Bank, was counted and sometimes they were not.

Mr. Jenkin also drew Mr. Black's attention to a chit book with a bearing on acknowledgment of receipt of cheques.

The Court was still sitting this afternoon.

Court Inspects Treasury.

When Mr. Potter had concluded his opening address yesterday, the rather unexpected step of the Court visiting the Treasury offices was taken.

In the course of his speech during the afternoon, he said that he did not think that the official of the Hong Kong Bank who passed the cheques was in any way negligent. He was very unfairly deceived by the forged signatures, which were very good pieces of work. In any case the forgeries must have been good to have been passed by the Bank.

The jury would bear in mind, Mr. Potter continued, that the Bank official who passed the cheques had only in his mind a mental picture of the signatures of Mr. Messer and Mr. Black.

"I put it to you that, whereas that official might very well and did, in fact, pass those signatures as being genuine, if he had had before him the genuine cheques, no official of the Bank would have passed them."

AT HELENA MAY

TO-MORROW'S CONCERT PROGRAMME

The programme for to-morrow's Helena May Concert comprises:—

1.—Trio—Allegro moderato, Andante and Allegro—J. Hayden: Mrs. Balean, Mrs. Griggs, Mons. Bonenfant.

2.—Song—Russian Love Songs—Hermann Lohr.

(1) Throb of the Passionate Day.

(2) The Brown Eyes of my Dushka—Miss E. C. Carroll.

3.—Piano—A father is riding through the night, clasping his son who is ill. The child has a vision of the evil spirit, the Erl-king. "It is some misty cloud" says the Father. Three times the Erl-king whispers to the dying boy, inviting him to meet his beautiful daughter. In a frenzy the child exclaims that the Erl-king is seizing him . . . and at the journey's end the Father discovers he is dead. In the music the voices of the father, son and Erl-king may be recognized.

(a) Etude in C minor (Revolutionary Study)—Chopin.

(b) The Nightingale and The Erl king—Liszt: Mrs. Cashman.

4. — Violin — Romanze — Max Bruch, Op. 42—Mrs. Balean.

5.—Song—

(a) "By the simplicity of Venus' doves"—Bishop;

(b) "Oh flower of all the World" —Amy Woodford Finden: Mrs. Womack.

6.—Trio—Allegro, Adagio and Allegro con spirito—C. Gurlitt, Op. 171: Mrs. Balean, Mrs. Griggs, Mons. Bonenfant.

"THE KING OF KINGS"

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After the famous film "The King of Kings" had been shown at Covent Garden, London, the following views were expressed to Press representatives by members of the audience.

Bishop of Bradford, Dr. Browne: —I have only one comment to make, come and see it.

Canon John Cooney (St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church, Wandsworth) "I was most favourably impressed. The production is quite worthy of the subject."

Rev. C. Haldon (St. Jude's, Southwark):—"I think it is a very fine film. I shall advise people to come and see it."

Rev. F. O'Connor (St. Patrick's, Soho):—"It has fully succeeded in its object, and is both impressive and reverent. There are certain minor faults, but they are only details, and don't really matter much in a production as fine as this."

Rev. F. H. B. McKay (All Saints, Margaret Street W. I.):—"A very fine film and bound to do a lot of good. It will make the gospel more real to simple folk."

Rev. Stuart Scott (Congregational Union of London):—"The film was bound to come sooner or later. I do not agree the Christ is portrayed as a weak character. I think the strength of character is there, and that it is admirably restrained."

This remarkable film which was produced and directed by the eminent director Cecil B. De Mille will be screened at the Queen's Theatre for a limited number of days commencing Tuesday next, when Hong Kong audiences will also have an opportunity of judging the production. Owing to its great length only three performances will be given daily commencing promptly at 2.30, 6.00 and 9.15 p.m.

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Sam W. Daniels, alias "Professor Brandorine," a crystal gazer and fortune teller, charged with selling love powders to credulous women.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Play Girl."

To-day—Star Theatre; "In The Name of Love."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Cheerful Fraud."

To-day—At Ko Shing Theatre; Mei Lan Fang and his Troupe, 8 p.m.

Nov. 22—Star Theatre; "The Sport of Kings."

Nov. 22—Concert at Helena May Institute (organised by Mrs. Balean), 5.30 p.m.

Nov. 24—Theatre Royal; Hong Kong A.D.C. presents "The Sport Sport of Kings," 9.15 p.m.

Nov. 25—Public band concert in Botanic Gardens, 4-5.30 p.m.

Nov. 27—Queen's Theatre; "The King of Kings," 2.30, 6 and 9.15 p.m.

Nov. 30—St. Andrew's Ball, in the City Hall, 9.30 p.m.

Land Sale

Nov. 26—At P.W.D. offices, one lot of Crown land at Mong Kok Tsui, 3 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions

Nov. 23—At Sales Room, a valuable collection of old and rare postage stamps of Great Britain and Colonies, 5.15 p.m.

Nov. 27—At No. 33, Humphreys Building (top floor), Kowloon, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

Sports

To-day — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Masket Ball, "B" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 22—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "A" v. "C", 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 23—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI. v. H.K. Club "A", 5. p.m.

Nov. 24—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Tennis, American Tournament, 2.30 p.m.

Nov. 24.—Autumn Steeplechase meeting of the Fanling Hunt, at Kwanti, 3 p.m.

Nov. 27—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI. v. Club de Recreio, 5 p.m.

Nov. 28—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "B" v. "C", 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 29—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI. v. K.O.S.B., 5 p.m.

Nov. 30—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "A" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 1—Hong Kong Jockey Club's eighth extra race meeting, Happy Valley.

Miscellaneous.

To-day — Meeting of the H.K. University Medical Society, in the School of Anatomy, 5.15 p.m.

Nov. 22—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Debate on the Instalment System, Ladies invited, 9 p.m.

Nov. 25—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Quiet Hour, Mr. S. V. Boxer, 9 p.m.

Nov. 27—Old Bedfordian dinner in Hong Kong Club, 8 p.m.

Nov. 28.—Hong Kong Fire Brigade annual drill display in the Company of the Central Police Station, 3 p.m.

Dec. 1—Rose day in aid of funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the Colony's poor.

Dec. 8—Drawing of a Pontiac Six 5-seater sedan motor car at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's fete.

Dec. 11—Formal opening of the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, by H.E. the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G. at 4.30 p.m. and reception at the Hotel from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

December 14—Hong Kong Automobile Association's annual dinner dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

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SELLING CHICKENS

NO LICENCE: ATTEMPTED BRIBERY

COURT CASE

A Chinese, who was charged with selling chickens without a licence, said at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, that he was not selling but taking them to the different streets as an advertisement for would-be purchasers.

On a second charge, attempted bribery, defendant said that he had only one cent, and therefore it was impossible that he could have offered 70 cents to the constable.

Evidence for the prosecution indicated that defendant was selling chickens in the back lane of Cameron-road. When the constable said that he would arrest him for not having a licence, defendant offered money which the constable refused.

Mr. Wynne-Jones said that he could not believe defendant's story, as it was quite improbable. On the charge of selling, he was fined $8, while on the bribery charge a fine of $15 was imposed.

SMALL-POX CASES

31 IN THE COLONY LAST WEEK

ONLY TWO IN THE CITY

Thirty-one cases of small-pox in the Colony were reported to the Medical Officer of Health last week.

Of these only two occurred in the city registration district. The other 29 were from "old and new Kowloon." All cases were Chinese, two being "imported," that is, non-resident. There were nine deaths during the week.

Other cases of notifiable disease were:—

Diphtheria: 1 Chinese case from the city.

Enteric fever (typhoid): 1 Chinese case from the city, 1 death.

The Industrial Court have rejected a claim for increased pay for 90 temporary women clerk, Grade 1, Civil Service, employed in the Ministry of Pensions, the Stationery Office, and the Labour Ministry.

APPEAL LOST

DR. MIAO AS HIS OWN ADVOCATE

STRANGLED BRIDE CASE

London, Yesterday.

Dr. Chung-yi Miao appeared in the Criminal Appeal Court loaded with documents, and dispensed with counsel and conducted his own case, because "the Almighty told me to tell my own story." Dr. Miao was appealing against his conviction for murder, before Mr. Justice Humphreys.

He spoke for over three and a half hours, alleging he was the victim of prejudice and misunderstanding.

He called fresh witnesses to support his original statement that mysterious Orientals had been seen near the spot where his wife's body was discovered.

The appeal was dismissed.—Reuter.

HARBOUR NOTICE

RELATIVE TO TORPEDO TARGETS

A notice to mariners, relative to torpedo targets, was issued by the Harbour Office as follows:—

Target moorings consisting of two small mooring buoys are laid in a position 247 degrees 2,000 yards from the outer-extremity of Laichikok torpedo range pier or 306½ degrees 2,100 yards from the 231 ft. summit at the western end of Stonecutters Island.

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When the target is moored in the above-mentioned position, it is marked at night by a fixed white light.

A red flag hoisted on the target indicates that the range is in use.

The engagement of Mr. W. A. Oldfield the famous Australian cricketer, and Miss Ruth Hunter, of Sydney, which was recently announced, has Malayan associations, for it was while returning to Australia from Singapore by the "Marella" that the engaged pair first met. Mr. Oldfield was, of course, one of the star members of the team which visited Malaya in June last year, and Miss Hunter was making a tour of Java and Malaya with her family. It was not until they were returning home by the "Marella" that they became acquainted.

Wife Wants G$7,000,000 Alimony

Mr. Frederick B. Patterson (left), the heir to the G$50,000,000 of the cash register business whose pretty wife (centre), is suing for divorce and G$7,000,000 alimony. Right, the Legion of Honour decoration conferred on Mr. Patterson by the French Government during the World War (when he served as an officer), and, below, the palatial Far Hills home of the Pattersons.

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NIGHT CLUBS

LONDON LIDO'S SUCCESSFUL APPEAL

"FORTUNES MADE"

A successful appeal against a sentence of one month's imprisonment in the second division was made by Abraham Lewis Garrett, 62, described as a director of the Lido Club, Newman-street, W., at London Sessions. Sir Robert Wallace, K.C., presided.

Mr. Garrett was sentenced by Mr. Mead, at the Marlborough-street Police-court, for selling intoxicating liquor at the club without a licence. He was brought up following a police raid.

Mr. Eustace Fulton, who appeared for the respondent magistrate, said the Lido Club was registered on Aug. 6, 1926, and was acquired in October of the following year by a company called Venice Limited, of which the appellant was a director, holding 100 £1 shares. Between Oct. 25, 1927, and Jan. 31 this year the balance sheet showed profits on the sales of wines of £2,734. In the month of February the gross profits were as much as £1,097."

Mr. Fulton related how on July 12, about 11.40 p.m., police-officers went to the club. One of the party paid £2 10s. to the reception clerk and signed the book, showing that he was introducing members. He was not himself a member. They went into the dance-room, where about sixty people were drinking, and they continued to drink in that room and dance with instructresses provided by the club at the cost of £3 a night. Finally they went down to another room, and continued there until four in the morning, being supplied with whatever drinks they required. Champagne at 30s. a bottle was provided. On the 13th the same thing happened, and on July 17 a warrant was granted.

"It is quite clear, from what happened afterwards," said Mr. Fulton, "that by some means the fact that it had been granted became known to someone conducting this club, because on the 17th, when the officers continued their observations, they found it a much reformed establishment. No one was allowed to have drinks after hours, and only soft drinks were given after the proper time."

The names of forty persons were taken, and only one said he was a member. The appelant said that he was in charge, and pleaded guilty before the magistrate.

"A Very Good Record"

Chief Inspector Fisher said, in reply to Sir Henry Curtis-Bennett, who appeared for Mr. Garrett, that Garrett had nothing to do with any of the clubs on the premises prior to October of last year. Mr. Garrett had always borne a very good record. During twenty-five years' experience as a public-house licence holder nothing was recorded against him.

Sir Henry, addressing the Bench, said that this was quite a different class of club from "the mushroom club which arises where there is drunkenness, disorder, and thieving." To show how profitable that club was, by the summer of last year it was in the hands of receivers and closed down. Friends of Mr. Garrett put up some money, and for the first time in his life he became connected with a night club in October of last year. He was the paid servant of the club, being paid £5 a week.

"This case came before Mr. Mead," he said. "Mr. Mead, according to my instructions, on one or two occasions stated that in the next case before him he would send the responsible person to prison. Mr. Garrett happened to be the unfortunate next person."

Sir Henry denied that they had information that a raid was going to take place. He suggested that each case should be decided on its individual merits. "Mr. Mead, no doubt incensed by the history of the premises, mixed the history of the premises with the individual, and perhaps was under the impression that he had been associated with the premises."

The Chairman: Sir Henry, don't you think he was entitled to take into account the past history of the premises, because a man takes them knowing their reputation?

Sir Henry: Mr. Garrett did not know this long history, and he did not take the premises. He was put in by two friends.

The Chairman: Mr. Mead is entitled to take the history of the club into account.

Sir Henry: Mr. Mead a few days after gets another case, a bogus club, and it gets a fine.

The Chairman: I was under the impression that I had seen the statement made some time before that fining was no use because you paid your fine and walked off with your fortune.

Sir Henry: It is rather interesting in this case to see that the takings for food from November to May amounted to more than half the takings for wine, showing that there was a very substantial trade for suppers.

Mr. Fulton: The complaint is that when the restaurant hours were over they continued to serve drinks.

The Chairman: What I cannot understand is that when these premises were disqualified why the disqualification was removed.

The inspector mentioned that it had been disqualified for five years.

"The Longer the Better"

Sir Henry: It is like the disqualification of a motor driver's licence for drunkenness—the longer the better.

The Chairman: This place ought never to be allowed to open again.

After a retirement for about half an hour Sir Robert announced that the justices had had the greatest difficulty in this matter. "They desire to state," he said, "perhaps it is unusual, that the decision is the decision of a majority of the Bench. The whole Bench are unanimous in that they agree with Mr. Mead's view that fining as a general rule is an utterly inadequate punishment, and that it is necessary for it to be understood that if people take one of these clubs and commit breaches of the law that imprisonment is the only punishment for them. The profits seem so great in these things that the fines seem so utterly inadequate. The question the justices had to consider was whether that general principle should be applied in the case of an old man who had carried on his business irreproachably for several years.

"The majority of the justices think that in spite of the view which all entertain, in this particular case exception might be made. Instead of imprisonment he will be fined the maximum fine, but which is considered utterly inadequate, of £50 on each summons, and will have to pay the costs. The house has been disqualified for five years, and we hope that no attempt to remove that disqualification will be successful."

A correspondent, signing himself "Labour," writes to "The Times":—I am between 50 and 60 years old and have worked for 30 years in British Colonies in the East and in bad climates. By hard work and saving I have now retired and settled in my own country, England, with my wife and family; and have brought home all my savings and invested them in British Government securities and industrials. My income, therefore, is taxed as "unearned." I would ask Mr. Snowden: Have I not earned it? Have I not lent my earnings to my own country, Government, and industry—the latter to assist unemployment and British workmen? Mr. Snowden proposes to tax me further because I saved for old age and lent my savings as stated above. I cannot support a party so unjust and must decline to vote for the Labour Party at the next Election.

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ENGLAND'S CHANCES

[By Maurice Tate.]

Will our cricket team which is now on the high seas, on its way to Australia, be good enough to retain the "Ashes?" That is a question the answer to which we shall await feverishly in due course. Many people think that the answer depends on an affirmative coming to another question: Will our bowling be good enough? And again, linked with that is the query: Will Maurice Tate again prove the record-breaking bowler he was when last out there?

"Readers won't expect me to say that we are going away to Australia in the frame of mind to lose the battles for the "Ashes'," said Tate. "And we are not. Just look round at the lads. You will see first of all as happy a party as ever left this country. Only eleven of the party of seventeen will be able to take part in any one Test match, but the spirit is such that those who have to stand down will wish those who play every possible success.

"I am not going to say that we shall win the Tests, because no sensible man who knows Australian cricketers, or the game of cricket, would say that. The Australians are sure to have new men who may reveal extraordinary cricket ability. Then the luck of the game plays an important part.

These Concrete Pitches

"I think the people at home, visualising Australian wickets, only think of them as being of concrete—and they can be like concrete. But let me tell you this: that if it should rain on a typical Australian pitch, then that pitch can be truly a terror—a greater terror to batsmen than any pitch I have ever seen in England. The bowler can make the ball go all over the place, until the batsman, has the feeling that first and foremost he wants protection, not for his legs, but for his ears. Of course, weather 'down under' doesn't provide many such pitches, but it is always possible.

"Mention of the weather conditions," went on Tate, "reminds me that the first Test match is at Brisbane on November 30. And Brisbane is the sort of place—well, where those who talk about it having been hot in England this summer ought to go. They would want to get back to an English summer so that they could feel they were having a bath in ice.

"When I think of what Brisbane can supply in the shape of a heat wave there is one thing for which I am truly thankful: that in the Test matches an over is now going to consist of six balls only—not eight, as was the case when we were last there.

"It is almost a physical impossibility for a bowler who has to put everything into it to send down eight balls in succession at his very hardest. Maybe the change from eight to six-ball overs in Test matches will help us, because, after all, the Australians are better acclimatised to their weather conditions than visitors can possibly be.

How Long Will They Last?

"The coming Tests are sure to be more than tests of cricket. I expect to find them tests of endurance as well. Weather freaks apart. I shall not be surprised if each of the five 'Ashes' games runs over many days—perhaps even to eight or possibly nine.

"I think we are well equipped for those tests of endurance, and I can tell you this also: that we know we are going out under a fine cricket captain, and a man for whom every member of the party will be ready to spend the last ounce of energy. So why should we be lacking in confidence?

"As a matter of fact we should be false to the folk at home if we were not now starting out full of confidence, because we know that you at home have confidence in us. Never has a party gone out which has met with such general approval and so little adverse criticism. And, believe me, that helps more than a bit.

"So my last words to all those who will watch eagerly for the cables is this: Remain of good cheer. I don't say that we shall win. But I do say this: That, win or lose, you may rest assured that, in racing language, you will get a run for your money. If we die—well, we die fighting."

A British Champion

Miss Mary Heeley, the 17-years-old junior lawn tennis champion of Great Britain, at her Wylde Green home, near Birmingham.

Canadian Golfer

Miss Dorn Vittee of Montreal, a noted Canadian golfer.

Via London by Radio

The wedding photo of Gene Tunney, the retired undefeated heavyweight boxing champion of the world, and the former "Polly" Lauder, the $350,000,000 heiress, which was rushed to London by aeroplane and transmitted by radio.

PENANG TURF CLUB

OVER $150,000 PROFIT LAST YEAR

Should the Penang Turf Club decide on extending the present Race Course and erecting a new Grand Stand and other buildings, which must come sooner or later, it has ample resources to go ahead at any moment. In fact, the Club has more or less already decided to extend the present course if possible, and if this is done new buildings would be necessary, but the only hitch is that Government have given no reply to its request for additional land adjoining the present property.

The possession of ample resources was revealed in the latest Balance Sheet which was circulated to members in view of the annual meeting held on Thursday, October 25. The accounts presented were for the year ended August 31, 1928.

Generous Depreciation

During the year under review the Club, after writing off depreciation to the extent of $47,504.13 made a net profit of $106,001.25. On the new stables in York Road, on which a sum of $54,641.97 was expended during the year, on less than a sum of $26,958.52 has been written off, and equally heavy depreciation has been written off in connection with other Club property. This is a wise policy and it is interesting to note that several valuable assets of the Club have now been written down to very nominal figures. The Electric Totalizator, for instance, stands in the books at $5,000 and the Tote House at $100.

Income and Expenditure

On the expenditure side, it is revealed that a sum of $280,785.69 was spent on racing account during the year and of this sum $241,303.52 was given out in stakes and added money. A sum of $51,024.05 was spent under Charges Account whilst maintenance of the buildings, course etc., cost $10,297.59. Subscriptions and donations have taken up $12,241.73 whilst the Club sustained a loss of nearly $4,000 on the importation of Australian griffins which were sold to subscribers at a less sum than they actually cost the Club.

On the income side the Totalizator was once again responsible for bringing in the biggest share of the profits, no less than a sum of $271,037.24 being derived from this source. Subscriptions brought in $33,290.09 whilst Entrance and Training Fees realised $26,565. New members brought in nearly $3,000, interest on investments over $8,000 and the sale of Ladies' Tickets accounted for the tidy sum of $4,097.50.

Under the head of Cash Sweeps there is an item of $158,861.56 made up as follows: Unlimited Cash Sweeps: $35,388.56; Course Cash Sweeps: $42,517; whilst the Owners' Percentage amounted to $80,956 so that out of the Stakes and Added Money paid out by the Club $241,303.52 must be deducted this sum of $80,000 odd which was really met by the Cash Sweeps.

Assets

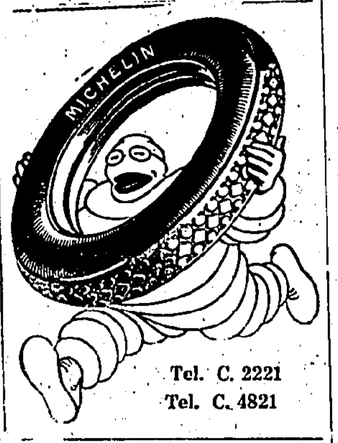
The total assets of the Club, including land, buildings, machinery, investments and cash amount to $445,299.22. Out of this Investments total $189,656.73 and cash in hand and at the bank a sum of $122,596.73. The Club has made payments in advance to the extent of $4,317.17 and has a stock of silver cups in hand worth $3,490.62. The Club also made a deposit for the 1929 griffins of $16,150 but the greater portion of this will be recovered from subscribers, although it is anticipated that, as before, the Club will suffer a small loss under this head.

Altogether the accounts reveal a very strong financial position and if the profits keep on increasing as they have done the past few years the Club should, by the end of 1930, have over half a million dollars which should suffice for putting up any scheme for extending the present course or for laying out and developing a new race-course on another site.—"Straits Echo."

Canadian Polo Star

Miss Dorothy (Dot) Hogan, "No. 1" on the Alberta (Canada) girls' polo team which went on tour.

Famous Chef tells how to make corn beef into dish for epicures—Pierre of the White Horse Tavern takes at least a week to get ingredients of staple American dish into form that will tease jaded appetites of sophisticated diners.



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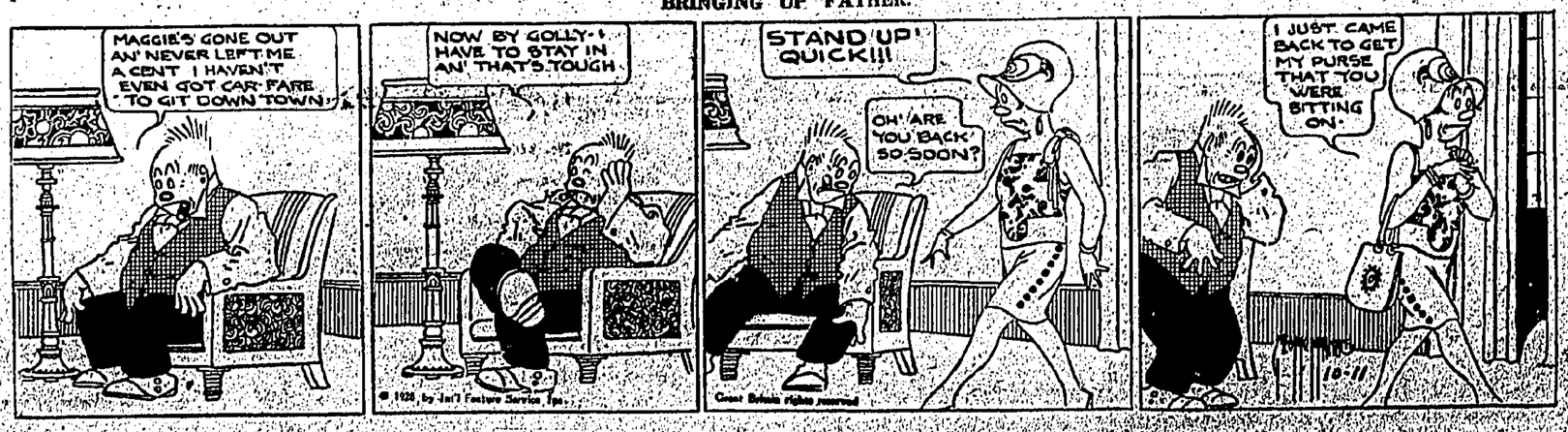

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

T. P. O'Connor—80, Not Out!

An intimate study of Mr. T. P. O'Connor—"Tay Pay" to admirers the world over—the Father of the House of Commons, in the library of his London home on his 80th birthday.

Rescued in Greenland

Bert Hassell and Parker D. Cramer, the "lost" airmen, when they arrived in Copenhagen after being rescued by the Hobbs expedition in Greenland. They are shown with Dr. Dodge (right), the U.S. Minister to Denmark.

The Eternal Triangle

Upper left, Pete Powell, a grocer's boy of Denver. Lower left, Mrs. Zella Dickson, the 29 years old aristocratic wife of Mr. Alpheus E. Dickson, a film magnate, seen in lower right as an officer in the A.E.F. during the World War. Powell broke some eggs in Mrs. Dickson's house and she is alleged to have gone on drives through Colorado with him. In the upper right is an artist's conception of a detective spying on them. The husband trapped the couple. An automatic pistol went off and the grocer's boy was killed. The film magnate was arrested. He alleged that the deceased boy's sick sister pleaded with him to save her brother from the attractions of Mrs. Dickson.

Il Duce Signs Grecian Treaty

The signing of the Graeco-Italian Treaty in the Senate building in Rome. The frock-coated figure bending over ring to sign his name is Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy. M. Venizelos, the strong man of Greece, signed for his country.

In The Control Cabin

Dr. Hugo Eckener (centre) with members of his navigating staff in the control cabin of the "Graf Zeppelin" on the dirigible's trans-Atlantic flight.

Where 100 Burned to Death

View of the interior of Novedades theatre in Madrid after its destruction by fire. More than 100 spectators were burned to death and 350 others seriously injured in the disaster.

Levine's 'Plane Crashes

Mr. Charles A. Levine's monoplane "Columbia," a moment after it crashed on a take-off for Rome. Mr. Levine previously flew across the Atlantic.

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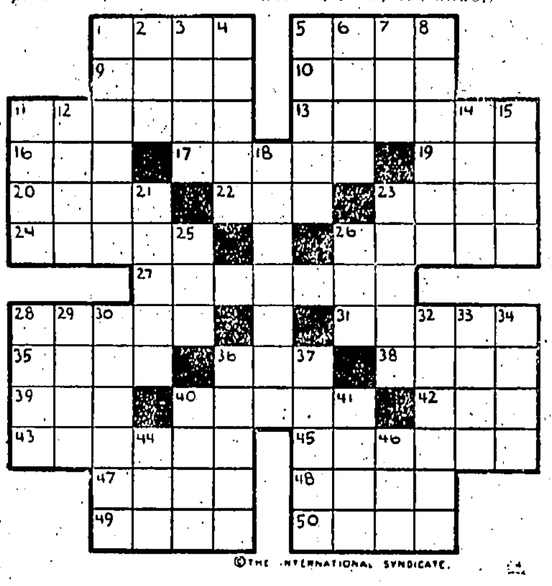
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings such as harbor, wun, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1–Girl's name
5–Place in difficulty
9–Immediately
10–Practical joke
11–Lulled to sleep
13–Childish plaything
16–Wild beast
17–Restrain
19–Beam of light
20–Hulled Indian corn
22–Fasten together
23–Japanese beverage
24–Petitions
26–Goddesses of arts
27–Sailed near to
28–Pierced
31–Burdensome employments
35–Affirm positively
36–Drunkard
38–Fastener
39–Perched
40–Non-voter

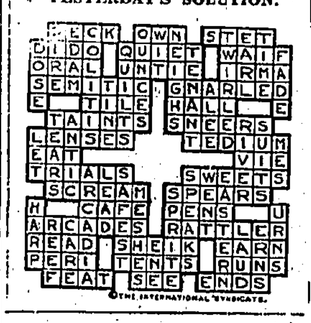
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
42–Suffix, belonging to
43–Unruffled
45–Enclosed
47–Kind of bread
48–Large lake
49–Embankment
50–Tall grass stem

VERTICAL
1–Flower cluster
2–Blacken
3–Reached with the toes
4–South American mountains
5–Hurled
6–Loudly expressed mirth
7–Chew and swallow
8–Special editions
11–Rough file
12–Precious stone
14–Body of water

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15–Scrutinizes
18–Mental strain
21–A horse of special gait
23–North African region
25–Turf
26–Encountered
28–Catch the breath with difficulty
29–Elliptical
30–Obstruct
32–Navigated
33–Bird
34–Vehicle on runners
36–Move side foremost
37–Lofty structure
40–White juice of certain plants
41–Unusual
44–Bashful
46–To be situated or fixed

(The solution to the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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Japanese Diplomat

Count Uchida, the Japanese diplomat.

Lady Addis, Mrs. Alec Tweedie and Mrs. Denison Pender were among the guests on Oct. 15 at the wedding of Nobil Uomo Carlo Alberto Straneo, Secretary at the Italian Embassy, and Miss Irene Hart, only daughter of the late Mr James Henry Hart and of Mrs Arnold Ellert, which took place at St. James's Church, Spanish-place London. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Geoffrey Hart.

Councillor Carus-Wilson will be the next mayor of Twickenham, Middlesex.

KIDNAPPED WOMAN

FALSE PEARLS SENT TO HER HOTEL

SEQUEL TO ROBBERY

Paris.—Montmartre dancers, or frequenters of night cabarets, are suspected of having been concerned in the affair of Mrs. Josephine Neumann, the American woman who was kidnapped and robbed of money and jewellery in the forest of St. Germain.

Mrs. Neumann received a telephone call at her hotel purporting to come from the man who invited her to supper with him at St. Germain. The caller said he regretted what had happened, and asked her not to make the matter public. He added that he was sending back the stolen pearl necklace. A few minutes later a package was left at the hotel, addressed to Mrs. Neumann, containing not the stolen necklace, but an imitation pearl substitute.

Mrs. Neumann has left for the United States.

Divorce at 13?

Mrs. Maria Contreras, who is 13 years of age, a pretty refugee from Mexico, is still young enough to be interested in dolls, but not old enough for domestic strife. So she has filed an action for divorce from her husband, whom she accuses of ill-treatment.

HOT-GOSPELLER

GLASGOW STUDENTS RAG MRS. MCPHERSON

LIVELY SCENES

Glasgow.—Mrs. Aimee McPherson, the Los Angeles "hot-gospeller," visited Glasgow University students at their union hall. The place was packed fully an hour before she was due to appear, and parodies of hymns were sung under the conductorship of a student whose baton was a beer bottle.

Streamers and placards, on one of which was scrawled "Here's to the good old whisky," decorated the hall.

Seated on the floor near the platform were four students playing cards, and near them were rows of empty bottles. More beer and whisky bottles were on the table on the platform.

Under a notice "Ladies may smoke" was a band of girl students smoking cigarettes. Those in the audience who were not smoking were singing.

This was the scene when Mrs. McPherson arrived.

When she spoke she was compelled, according to custom to stand on the table. Only when she mentioned the word "hell" were there interruptions, taking the form of affected protests.

M. PACHMANN

TIRED OF HUMANITY AFTER BAD CHANNEL CROSSING

M. Vladimir Pachmann, the 80-years-old pianist, whose doctors have told him that to remain in retirement means death, has come from Rome to play at the Albert Hall, says the "Daily Mail" to hand.

A rough Channel crossing seemed to have affected his customarily buoyant spirits.

"It is time I was dead," he said to a "Daily Mail" reporter. "I have taken a dislike to humanity. Everything seems to have changed."

Pachmann confessed, however, that he still enjoys ten cigars a day and drinks innumerable cups of strong black coffee.

As the steamer in which he travelled neared Dover a steward approached Pachmann, who had been seasick, and offered to carry him ashore.

"What! Carry Pachmann!" said the pianist and ran like a schoolboy up the gangway. And as he ran he waved his arms and shouted "Never! Never!"

TYPIST'S SECRET

KILLED WOMAN WHO KNEW IT

A "TRIANGLE"

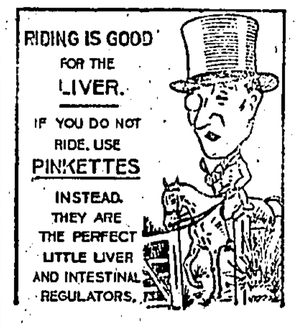
Berlin.—Erna Anthony, the Berlin typist, aged 24, arrested last March on a charge of murdering Frau Schuler, a woman employed as office cleaner at a business house, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

The charge was reduced to one of manslaughter, for the Public Prosecutor admitted that the murder was not premeditated. The court allowed extenuating circumstances on the ground that the accused was slightly unbalanced mentally.

The president of the court emphasised the fact that Anthony had never shown any sign of regret or repentance, and while in prison under remand had written jovial letters to girl friends.

The evidence showed that Anthony was on too friendly terms with one of her employers, and Frau Schuler had seen the two kissing. Frau Schuler had never attempted blackmail, but Anthony was in perpetual fear, for her employer was married and she was engaged.

What happened immediately before the crime is not known, but Frau Schuler's throat was cut to the backbone. There is considerable public feeling that the sentence errs on the side of leniency.



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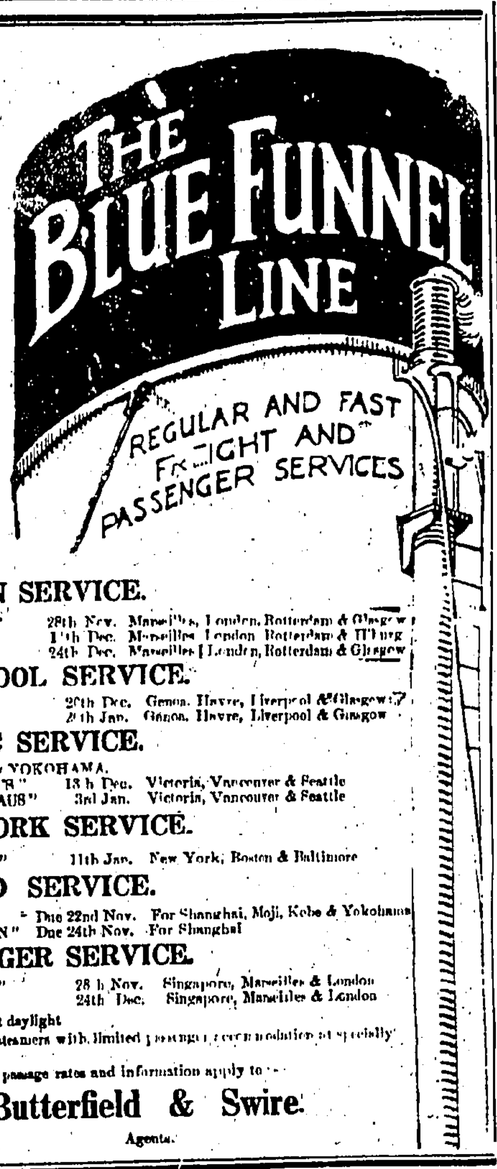

LONDON SERVICE.

"ANTENOR"	28th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow
"DIOMED"	11th Dec.	Marseilles London Rotterdam & Hull
"HECTOR"	24th Dec.	Marseilles London, Rotterdam & Glasgow

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

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This mail is due in Seattle on the 17th December.

XMAS LETTER MAIL FOR CANADA AND U.S.A. AND PARCEL MAIL FOR CANADA.

Xmas Letter Mail for Canada and U.S.A. and Parcel Mail for Canada will be closed in the G.P.O. per s.s. "Empress of France" as follows:—

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Ordinary Mail	28th	" "	10 a.m.

These mails are due in Victoria, B.C., and Seattle on the 15th December.

INWARD MAILS.

From		Per
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai		Shinyo Maru
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22.		
Shanghai and Amoy		Yingchow
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23.		
Japan, Shanghai and Europ via Siberia		
London, 1st and 2nd Nov.		Khyber
Europe via Suez (Letters & papers, London, 25th Oct. and parcels, 18th Oct.)		Naldera
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai		President Lincoln

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21.		
Manila	Empress of Canada	3.30 p.m.
Formosa	Coblenz	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kwong Hung	4 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22.		
Hoihow and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Altai Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	11.30 p.m.
Straits	Seistan	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Telemachus	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Chinkiang	4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23.		
Straits and Calcutta. Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m.	Fooksang	
Shanghai	Haiching	1 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Huichow	2.30 p.m.
Japan	Naldera	5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Naldera	6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius. E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 22nd Dec. Ship due London, 29th Dec. K.P.O. Parcels 4.30 p.m. Registration (Nov. 24) 9 a.m. Letters (Nov. 24) 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels (Nov. 23) 5 p.m. Registration (Nov. 24) 9.45 a.m. Letters (Nov. 24) 10.30 a.m.	Khyber	
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24.		
Manila	President Lincoln	4.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong	Song Bo	5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Yingchow	6 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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RUMANIA'S POLITICAL AFFAIRS

MANY REFORMS

WHAT THE NEW PREMIER HAS EFFECTED

ELECTORAL PACTS

Bucharest, Yesterday.

The Press censorship has been abolished and martial law raised everywhere except on the frontier zones where ameliorations have been introduced by the Ministry of the Interior, who simultaneously warned the police throughout the country against ill-treatment of prisoners with reference to which the police chief at Balsi and two police sergeants have been dismissed.

These are the first fruits of M. Maniu's far-reaching programme of reforms.

Preparations for the elections on Dec. 12 are progressing.

M. Maniu's Peasant Party has concluded electoral pacts with the Social Democrats, the Saxon Group and the Transylvanian Zionists.—Reuter.

BRITISH INDUSTRY

FACTS AS TO THE "SOUTHERN TREND"

ARTIFICIAL SILK BOOM

London, Yesterday.

The process of social evolution with the change in the nature and location of national industries is disclosed in the Ministry of Labour Gazette. For the purposes of analysis one hundred industries have been treated separately, and of these 66 record increases during the last five years and 34 show decreases. Workers in the silk and artificial silk industry have increased by 93.6 per cent. and the expansion last year almost equalled that of the four preceding years together.

Statistics confirm, in striking manner, the southern trend of industry. The London area has increased its number of insured workers, in five years by 10.2 per cent. London and the South-Eastern counties taken together now represent 25.7 per cent. of the insured population, as compared with 24.2 per cent. in 1923.—British Wireless Service.

P.O. & "BEAM"

INCREASED POPULARITY OF THE SERVICE

YEAR'S WORKING

London, Yesterday.

Interesting figures showing the increasing extent to which the Post Office Wireless Beam Services were being used were given in the Commons yesterday. On the Australian service during the first year's operation over 7,000,000 words were handled, on the Canadian service over 4,500,000, on the Indian service over 10,000,000, and on the South African over 8,000,000.

During the first complete week in each service the wordage paid for was 53,000, 59,000, 115,000 and 88,000 respectively. The weekly figures have now increased on the corresponding services to 181,000, 113,000, 253,000 and 200,000 words.—British Wireless Service.

"COMPROMISE"

GERMANY'S FOREIGN SECRETARY

NO LONGER ANXIOUS

Berlin, Yesterday.

Dr. Stresemann (Secretary for Foreign Affairs) in his speech in the Reichstag yesterday, reverted to the Anglo-French agreement. He said he felt bound to declare that all his anxiety on this score had been removed by recent statements by the representatives of the two Powers. He was particularly glad to hear Mr. Baldwin say that he also regarded the co-operation of the great Powers as the basis of European policy.—Reuter.

A HANGING DOWN BUILDING

SWINGING ERECTION

OBVIATING THE LAYING OF FOUNDATIONS

HANGING FROM TRUSSES

A five-storey building hanging down instead of standing up is being put together in Chicago. It will swing out over an awkward angle of Chicago's first great air rights development. Foundations could not be laid because of the railroad track below. Its builders say it is the first suspended construction of its type in the world.

This pendant block will be a wing on the 26-storey home of the Chicago "Daily News." It will hang from huge trusses instead of being supported by the usual columns set on caissons. More than 65,000 of the 100,000 square feet in the building area is being erected in the air rights over the terminal properties of the Union Station Company. In the area occupied by the suspended wing the railroad tracks were too close together to permit the use of supporting columns.

Each of the trusses used to suspend the five-storey wing is 100 feet in length and weighs 42 tons. To assure a proper fit the trusses were first assembled at the steel company's plant, and then taken apart for shipment. Three flat cars were necessary to transport each girder that goes into the trusses.

Special smoke chambers and stacks for lifting the smoke and steam from the track area beneath and carrying it away above the "Daily News" building have been designed. Such an exhaust system has never before been used, as other structures erected in air rights have been above electrified railroads, it is stated.

Construction presents a difficult erection problem, as uninterrupted train service must be maintained, and this during rush hours when thousands of commuters enter and leave the city by trains over these tracks. However, up to date no train has been delayed. A working schedule for 72 hours in advance is filed with the United Station Company to facilitate train dispatching.

GRANT TO DOMINICA

REPAIRING HURRICANE DAMAGE

SUPPLEMENTARY VOTE

London, Yesterday.

When the House of Commons last night agreed to the supplementary vote of £15,000, comprising £10,000 for Dominica and £5,000 for the Leeward Islands, reference was made to the havoc wrought by the violent hurricane experienced there last September. Nearly £27,000 has already been raised for the relief of private distress, which is likely to cover the cases. In addition destruction and damage of government property amounted to £30,000 in Dominica alone and £15,000 in the other Leeward Islands. The Government there could not afford to find the whole of that loss. Of the £10,000 proposed for the assistance of Dominica, half was a free gift and half was a loan free of interest, to be repaid when Dominica was in position to make repayment.—British Wireless Service.

NEWFOUNDLAND

LONDON OFFICE OF H. C. ABOLISHED

St. Johns, Newfoundland.

The first meeting of the new Cabinet decided to abolish the London office of the Newfoundland High Commissioner.—Reuter.

BETTING DUTY

London, Yesterday.

The Financial Secretary to the Treasury, Mr. A. M. Samuel stated in Parliament that the approximate amount derived from the betting duty during the year ended, October 31 last was £2,279,000.—British Wireless Service.

Washington, Nov. 19.—The death is announced of Mr. William Oldfield, of Arkansas, who was a Democratic member of the House of Representatives.—Reuter's American Service.

THE EIGHT HOURS' CONVENTION

LORDS' DISCUSSION

WHAT THE I. L. O. OF GENEVA WANTS TO KNOW

RESOLUTION REJECTED

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Lords, Lord Lytton moved a resolution that the Government inform the International Labour Office at Geneva of the precise points upon which it desired the revision of the Washington eight hours' convention and publish a draft of the bill showing the necessary modifications in the existing industrial agreements in Britain as a result of the ratification of the convention in the amended form was desired.

Lord Londonderry replied that the main criticisms were that the text was vague and ambiguous and that no allownace was made for various industrial practices which were perfectly consistent with the main purpose of the convention. He emphasised that the Government did not desire to imperil the principle of the 48 hours' week, but desired an instrument under which uniformity of practice was assured to the governing body. They expected to receive a report on all the Washington Conventions towards the end of the year and therefore it was premature for the Government to publish modifications now.

The resolution was rejected by 39 votes to 17.—Reuter.

ARCHBISHOP LANG

INVITATIONS FOR HIS ENTHRONEMENT

AT CANTERBURGY, DEC. 4.

London, Yesterday.

Invitations to the enthronement of Doctor Cosmo Gordon Lang as Archbishop of Canterbury have been sent to the prelates of all Christian churches throughout the world. There will be representatives of the Greek and Russian churches as well as delegates from South Africa, India, Canada, the United States and Protestant communities in the British Isles. The ceremony will take place in Canterbury Cathedral on December 4.

It is twenty-five years since an Archbishop of Canterbury was enthroned.—British Wireless Service.

BRITISH CURRENCY

BRITANNIA AND ST. GEORGE ON NEW NOTES

London, Yesterday.

Notes of the value of one pound and ten shillings, printed in many colours and embellished with the figures of Britannia and, in the case of the larger denomination, of Saint George and the Dragon, will from Thursday take the place of the treasury notes of these denominations now in circulation. The new notes are being issued by the Bank of England and their design is based on that of the existing Bank of England notes.—British Wireless Service.

STILL SOARING

STOCKS ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE

New York, Yesterday.

Hundreds of thousands of speculators throughout the state watched another boiling stock market with pleasure and amazement and saw stocks continue the startling advances which have been made since the election day boom.

Sales are expected to reach $7,000,000 for the first time in the history of the exchange.—Reuter's American Service.

COLONEL ACQUITTED

Washington, Yesterday.

Colonel Robert Stewart has been acquitted of charges of perjury arising out of his testimony before the Senate Committee investigating the Teapot Dome scandal.—Reuter's American Service.

London, Yesterday.—Mrs. Hilton Philipson, formerly Miss Mabel Russell the well-known actress, who has been Conservative member of Parliament for Berwick on Tweed for six years, has announced that she will not stand as candidate in the next general election.—British Wireless Service.

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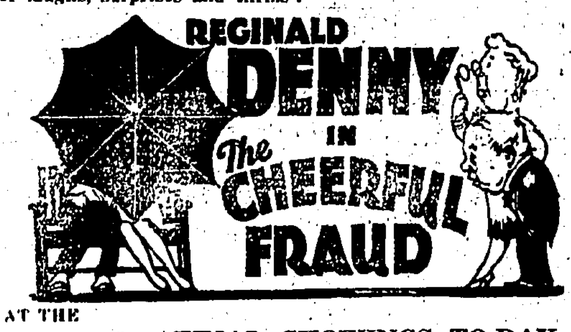

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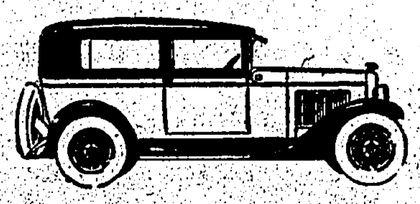

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